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NATO Says

9 SS-20s

Set Up in

Past Month

By William Drozdiak

BRUSSELS - The North Ar-

Wednesday that the Soviet Union

has installed nine new SS-20 inter-

the past month as the first Per-

ittermediate-range nuclear weap-

ons said in a statement that the

on another SS-20 base in the east-

ern part of the country, increasing

ny, NATO has withdrawn, as promised, one warhead for every

missile deployed, according to a

While he refused to identify the

warheads that have been removed, senior NATO officials said they

were extracted from shorter-runge

Pershing-1A missiles and Nike air

defense systems based in West Ger-

Other NATO sources said they

were perpiezed about why the with-drawal of warheads has not been

publicized to enhance the alliance's

image and to help deflate the argu-

ments of anti-nuclear campaigners.

They speculated that such an an-

NATO's nuclear planning group meets in Turkey in April, shortly

after the next shipment of Per-shing-2 missiles is to arrive in West

At Wednesday's session, repre-

sentatives of NATO governments

stressed the desire to resume nego-tiations with the Soviet Union "at

the earliest possible moment" and

liscussed a range of options, in-

cluding the possibility that the two sets of Geneva talks—on intercon-

tinental and intermediate-range

nuclear weapons — might be com-

But the U.S. official insisted that

the West should not be expected to

make substantive concessions to

during recent visits to East Europe-

He said that the high priority

attached by East and West Europe

an nations to renewed negotiations

on the limitation of nuclear and

conventional weapons had con-

vinced him that "the significance of

year and will remain the focus of

Mr. Ruth denied that West Ger-

many was seeking a new forum for

tions on the material covered by the

future developments and what will

He asserted that there is general

the next crucial steps in reviving

Disarmament in Europe, which is cease-fire

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senior U.S. official.

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Raymond Oliver, M. of one of Paris sold Véfour to the light champagne and lost and is retiring. The rant reopens Monda repair of damage a bombing in Dee expected to leave the con-20. Cash entered the true

its arsenal to 378 of the rockets, to avoid dependency or a lowing surgery for an ite which carry three warheads each. The Soviet buildup persisted through two years of Geneva arms control talks, making it "particu-larly difficult to understand the Terms of Endearmen tersweet story of a note ter relationship, and we Soviet contention that the begin-ning of NATO deployments in any way justified their discontinuing the negotiations," the alliance's bra Streisand's producia woman who disguises by man to study lewish law k Since the first batch of new nuclear missiles has become opera-uonal in Britain and West Germa-

of movies nominated ke the 1984 Golden Golden The nominations comleading precursor of te gave six nomination: Terms of Endearment's aiready been named best

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House of institute U.S. military aid to El Salvador he ments, and for a long time the pledge held. But in its final week, the 12-member commission, with its 19 sides and advisers, proved too political that future U.S. military aid to El Salvador he cal and unwieldy to keep secret the contents of helped lead to a compromise with Democratic office. CLASSIFIE



INCUMBENT - Poul Schluter said Wednesday that he would remain as Denmark's prime minister although his coalition failed to win a majority in elections. Page 5.

Soviet Official Denies Gas Pipeline Setback

MOSCOW - A top Soviet enerofficial denied Wednesday Western press reports that the Siberia-10-Europe natural gas pipeline was seriously damaged by an ex-plosion last month. for two companies participating in the project — General Electric and

Vasily A. Dinkov, the Soviet gas widespread reports as "rumors cir- pumping stations. culated by bourgeois mass media," which "are false and have nothing

to do with reality. In an interview with the Soviet news agency Tass, Mr. Dinkov acknowledged that there had been a fire at an Urengoi compressor station. But he said there was no ex-

plosion and that damaged equipment would soon be replaced. Mr. Dinkov said the compressor station was the smallest and least

important and would only be needed if pressure dropped below a cer-

■ Severe Damage Reported Earlier, John F. Burns of The

New York Times reported from Deliveries of Soviet gas to West-em Europe have been jeopardized by a fire that destroyed imported electronic equipment crucial to the functioning of the delivery pipe-line, according to reports circulat-

Western diplomats and industrial representatives say reports of the fire began coming in last week from Urengoi, center of the Siberian gas fields that will supply the pipeline. Westerners familiar with what happened said that the damage might be sufficient to cause a delay

ing in Moscow.

lute the Soviet Union back to the A West German disarmament expert. Friedrich Ruth, said that of six months or more in the commissioning of the pumping station at Urengoi, the largest of the 41 stations on the 2,800-mile (4,500an countries he detected a "very great interest" in resurrecting an kilometer) link to Europe.

South-West Africa People's Orga-

nization have announced they are

willing to enter direct cease-lire

A statement issued by SWAPO's

on South Africa to set a definite

date for the talks through the Unit-

ed Nations secretary-general, Ja-

The guerrillas said they would

R.F. Botha, the South African

intermediate-range missiles that talks with South Africa to try to

would include France and Britain. end the conflict in South-West Af-

strategic and medium-range missile headquarters in Luanda and re-talks. How this is done depends on leased Tuesday in Loadon called

missile negotiations may be taken welcome such talks but that they at the Stockholm Conference on must deal solely with the issue of a

But he added: "We want negotia- rica, or Namibia.

agreement within the alliance that vier Pérez de Cuéllar.

Moscow representatives of the contracting companies declined to comment officially on the reports of the accident Spokesmen in the United States

Dresser Industries -- said they had The reports of the fire seemed to

industry minister, dismissed the not heard of a fire at one of the undermine Soviet assertions that the pipeline had begun deliveries to France. Soviet accounts have hailed the deliveries to France as a vindication of the Kremlin's pledge to complete the project ahead of

schedule despite sanctions by the United States that sought to im-Tuesday's issue of the newspaper Izvestia again reported the begin-ning of the gas shipments, but offi-

cials of Western companies involved in the project insist that the pipeline is still months from com-

The Izvestia report was accomanied by a cartoon showing topbatted Westerners astride the pipeline with their hands to their eyes, exclaining, "We don't see it, we don't know it and we don't acknowledge it." The article contended that the

United States was resentful of So-businessmen with trade and investsanctions, "Their teeth are not strong enough to bite," it said of U.S. opponents of the pipeline. 'Instead, they're trying to bark." The U.S. sanctions, involving Taiwan, calling it the "principal mainly the supply of equipment built or designed in the United States, were set up to discourage European reliance on Soviet fuels,

to deprive the Soviet Union of foreign exchange earnings from gas (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

SWAPO Agrees to Cease-Fire Talks

with SWAPO.

Reuters foreign minister, said last weekend conference in Geneva three years LONDON — Guerrillas of the that a team led by the territory's ago aimed at clearing Namibia's

The rebel organization's state-

ment said it "hopes that Pretoria is

now serious and that its announce-

ment that the so-called administra-

tor general, the colonial governor

If a meeting took place, it would

be the first direct bilateral talks

between the two sides, which have

been fighting a prolonged but spo-

radic bush war along the Namib-

SWAPO and South African representatives met at a multilateral

in Namibia, will meet SWAPO for

direct talks is genuine."

ian-Angolan border.

administrator general could meet path to independence.

Zhao Asks Change in U.S. Law On Aid WASHINGTON - The Prime

Minister of China, Zhao Zivang, asked members of Congress on Wednesday to change the law that prevents Communist Third World countries such as his from receiving trade benefits and other U.S. eco-Mr. Zhao, in the second day of a

visit to Washington, made the request of House members gathered in a Capitol reception room. He mer later with the Senate majority leader. Howard H. Baker Jr., Republican of Tennessee, and the

minority leader, Robert C. Byrd, Democrat of West Virginia. Representative Thomas S. Foley, Democrat of Washington, said later that Mr. Zhao's brought up China's "interest in receiving addition-

al trade and other economic assistance from the United States. Mr. Foley said that Mr. Zhao "mentioned the fact that provisions of existing law prevent developing countries that are classified as Communist countries from receiving any assistance and they hoped that matter would be reconsidered

by the Congress."

The prime minister said the ban belonged to another time, the period of the '50s, and that China has entered into a new stage of rela-tionships with the United States and has been recognized as a friendly and nonaligned country by the administration," Mr. Foley Mr. Foley said that members did

not commit themselves to work for change in the restrictions. In his public remarks, Mr. Zhao

acknowledged that some wide disferences continued between the two countries, but he said he hoped with increased contacts and frank exchange of views," some of these may be narrowed. Later, in a speech before the U.S.-China National Trade Coun-

cil, Mr. Zhao said China's expanding trade with the West depended in large part on the parallel expan-sion of U.S.-Chinese political rela-"Setbacks in Sino-U.S. political

relations cannut but adversely atlect Sino-U.S. economic relations," he said. He called on his audience of U.S.

your influence to help overcome these difficulties." Mr. Zhao has sharply criticized the United States for its loyalty to

obstacle" to the growth of closer relations between Washington and Beijing. Defense Secretary Caspar W.

Weinberger, who was planning to meet with Mr. Zhao, on Wednesday defended the relationship.

Both SWAPO and Angola have

responded favorably to a South Af-

rican offer of a 30-day truce from Jan. 31, but both sides have set

mutually unacceptable conditions

The SWAPO statement denied

that any rebel forces were killed during South Africa's recent mili-

tary foray into Angola South Africa said 324 SWAPO, Cuban and

Angolan fighters were killed in a three-day battle last week but SWAPO said the fight was strictly

between the Angolan Army and

for a cease-fire.



The Chinese leader, Zhao Ziyang, jokes with Secretary of State George P. Shultz about his waistline before lunch.

U.S. Shouldn't 'Flinch' In Beirut, Official Says

WASHINGTON - The Reagan administration appealed Wednesday to Congress to stand by its now provides primarily an incite-agreement to keep U.S. Mannes in ment to the other side for further ebanon for 18 months.

U.S. prestige throughout the Mid- cai settlement," he said. "Now is not the time to flinch,"

Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Dam told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which came sıx-month limit lası year. The committee is now consider-

next month. Last September, Con-opposing forces will patiently await gress approved an 18-month stay lasting April 1985. An explosion at Marine head-

signed the 18-month authorization approved by Congress. A remain our good to copure the carliest possible withdrawal of the

Marines, consistent with our para-mount foreign policy objectives," Mr. Dam said. "But it would be disastrous if our reaction to terrorist attacks were to withdraw from the field." Mr. Dam's words prompted a

mixed reaction. "We have got to change this cra-

zy policy," said Senator Joseph R. Biden, Democrat of Delaware, who argued that the Marine presence endangered American lives without accomplishing any objective. But Senator Rudy Boscwhitz, a

Minnesota Republican, asked: What signals are we sending if we Ir., the Tennessee Republican who allow a terrorist minority to intimidate the United States? Senator John G. Tower of Texas,

Senate Armed Services Committee. said that, if the Marines were withdrawn precipitously the United States would be viewed as "a nation whose international policies are based solely on the whim of public opinion." Senator returned Monday from a

seven-day Middle East tour. James R. Schlesinger, secretary

of defense during the Nixon and Ford administrations, said the Marines should be either withdrawn or Mr. Tower said that both Arab

and Israeli officials had told him and Senator John W. Warner, Republican of Virginia, that "a precipitous withdrawal of U.S. Marines from Lebanon without clear evidence of diplomatic success would critically weaken the image, credibility and influence of the United States in the entire Middle Eastern region." Mr. Schlesinger, however, said:

"Simply hanging in there will prove to be a costly and an unsatisfactory policy. The Marines will have to be among fundamentalist churchmen, reinforced to the point that they "A bad precedent is being set," said

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meters) south of Buenos Aires.

Mr. Bignone, 55, one of four mil-

else be withdrawn. "A Marine deployment so small

hostile actions while remaining m-It said that withdrawal would sufficient in size to intimidate the encourage terrorists and weaken other side into a satisfactory politi-Mr. Tower and Mr. Warner said officials in the Middle East had

told them "that there is no real difference between setting a time limit of six months on the U.S. within one vote of recommending a military presence in Lebanon and an immediate withdrawal. "In their view, the effects will be ing a plan to withdraw the troops the same in that Syria and other

their departure."

North Korea Proposes Talks; South Opposed

By Clyde Haberman New York Times Service

TOKYO - North Korea street Wednesday that South Korea and the United States join in three-way talks aimed at reunifying the long-divided Korean Peninsula, but South Korea rejected the proposal. The South Korean minister of unification, Sohn Jae Shik, said that before peace negotiations could begin North Korea must ad-

mit responsibility and apologize for the bombing in Rangoon, Burma, on Oct. 9 that killed 21 persons. including top aides to South Korea's president, Chun Doo Hwan. But Mr. Sohn, in Scoul, suggested that the Chun government would be interested at some point in an "enlarged meeting," presumably would include China as well as the United States. In Washington on Monday

night, President Ronald Reagan said he also preferred that China take part in any discussions. IMr. Reagan made the comments

after a state dinner for the visiting Chinese prime minister. Zhac Ziyang, United Press International reported. Mr. Reagan said the two had discussed Korea, but he did not elaborate. In Beijing, the Chinese Foreign

"actively supports" the North Koconducive to easing tension on the Korean Peninsula and promoting the peaceful reunification of North and South Korea."] The North Korean call for talks,

issued in Pyongyang, was considered a significant departure because of the willingness to sit down

zone separating the two countries or in "a convenient third country." in the past the North Koreans had said they would negotiate only with the United States, usually accompanying this with denunciations of South Korea as a U.S.

"puppet" and "lackey." There were no such verbal attacks in Wednesday's statement. But Pyongyang blamed both the United States and South Korea for tensions on the peninsula, and it pointedly avoided mentioning the Seoul government by its formal name, the Republic of Korea, Instead, it referred to the "Seoul authorities" or to the "South Korean

The North Korean statement differed from previous ones, too, by omitting the customary demand that the United States first withdraw its 40,000 troops stationed in South Korea. A troop withdrawal could be made part of an ultimate peace treaty. Pyongyang said in letters that were to be sent to Washington and Seoul.

Foreign diplomats and other analysts were uncertain about the motives behind the North Korean proposal. Some considered any overture

Ministry said Wednesday that it important because there have been almost no direct contacts between rean proposal. The Associated the north and the south since the Press reported. It said that "the Korean Peninsula was divided at proposed tripartite talks would be the 38th parallel soon after World War II. The two countries signed an armistice agreement ending the Korean War in 1953, but no peace South Korean officials on

Wednesday confirmed press reports in Seoul over the previous few days that two other North Korean with South Korea. A statement said calls for three-way reunification negotiations could take place at talks had been made since October.

quarters in Beirut killed 241 servicemen on Oct. 23, just 12 days after President Ronald Reagan Many in U.S. Oppose Ties to Vatican By Kenneth A. Briggs. .. the Rev. Jerry L. Falwell, head of tive director of the Jewish group,

New York Havin Septem

WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan's establishment of full diplomatic relations with the Vatican has touched off political eral Protestant and civil liberties groups said they would try to overturn Mr. Reagan's choice of ambassador in Congress or the courts. Senator Ernest F. Hollings, a

South Carolina Democrat, said Tuesday that he would fight the move. The Senate Appropriations Committee, of which Mr. Hollings is chairman, reviews the financing of U.S. diplomatic ties. But an aide to Howard H. Baker

is Senate majority leader, said it was too early to tell what the outcome of the Senate debate would the Republican chairman of the be when Congress reconvenes later this month.

Some church spokesmen said the protest seemed weaker than the clamor that led to the withdrawal of a similar move by President Harry S. Truman in 1951, when he ought to name former General Mark W. Clark as ambassador to the Vatican.

But the spokesmen predicted a groundswell of protest and a fight to reverse Mr. Reagan's decision to appoint William A. Wilson as ampassador to the Vatican, Mr. Wilson. 2 Californian who is a longtime friend of the president's, is currently Mr. Reagan's personal representative at the Holy See. The strongest church opposition

appeared to come from evangelical Christians who have long viewed the exchange of ambassadors with the Vatican as a breach of the constitutional principle of separation of church and state. Evangelicals were among Mr. Reagan's staunchest backers in the 1980 election. Dissatisfaction was also evident

Bignone Charged in 2 Argentine Disappearances

Majority, who had told said Congress shared the admiris-write House officials that he dis-tration's respect for the pope's esapproved of such a move. Conservative churches joined

Protestant liberals and others in unique tradition of separation of protesters were the National Council of Churches, comprising 40 million Protestants and Eastern Orthodox Christians; the National Association of Evangelicals, consisting of 38,000 conservative state in the world community. churches, and the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, representing 26 million churchgoers. Seventh-day Adventists assailed

the decision, as did the Americans United for Separation of Church and State and the American Jewish Congress.

Rabbi Henry Siegman, execu-

INSIDE ■ The head of the U.S. Infor-

mation Agency has apologized to Jimmy Carter for secretly taping a conversation. Page 3. **E** A Chinese Roman Catholic

bishop has been sentenced to 10 years in prison for maintaining ties with the Vatican. Page 5

■ U.S. news organizations have asked to be allowed to cover military operations as a matter Page 5. BUSINESS/FINANCE

■ Nigeria imposed stringent foreign-exchange controls.

bankers reported. Lloyd's of London's top officials are bracing for sweeping Page 7.

■ "Gone With the Wind" has been adapted for the French stage. in Weekend.

tration's respect for the pope's esjustice. But he added, "We have a tion that formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican violates that constitutional principle."

Those in favor of the change say that Vatican City, as a recognized should be given full diplomatic status; 106 nations already have full relations with the Holy See. But opponents maintain that the Vatican is primarily a church headquarters, not a sovereign state. Response by Catholic officials

was mixed. Some Catholics said they feared that full ties with the Holy See could revive anti-Catholicism at a time when the historical strains among Christian groups have largely dissipated. Other Catholic leaders have voiced concern that the U.S. government could use the upgraded state of relations with the Vatican to attempt to curb some trends within the Catholic church in the United States. A Jesuit weekly, America, raised

that note of caution in a recent issue, and other Catholics have noted that the Reagan administration initiated the move toward full diplomatic relations after American bishops published a pastoral letter last spring strongly critical of the nuclear arms race. But Russell B. Shaw, spokesman for the National Conference of

Catholic Bishops, said that any efforts by the government to influence U.S. bishops through the Vatican would backfire. Richard A. Viguerie, editor of The Conservative Digest and a lay

Catholic, said: "As a Catholic, I have the greatest respect and love for the pope. But the state he leads is not of this world and the United States should not act as if it were."

By Hedrick Smith made contingent on reviews or certification of the report. Fragmentary information and then

New York Times Service .

WASHINGTON — On Wednesday morn-ing, former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissin-or mean leading and ger went through the formality of delivering to freed Corposition in the President Ronald Reagan the report of the Na-tional Bipartisan Commission on Control NEW Means were already well-known here, and they are investigated and some Democrats.

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It may seem the White House was a some Democrats.

It may seem peculiar that politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But you was formally unwrapped. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But was formally unwrapped. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy and most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new policy package even before it exceeds. But most politicians were picking over a new politicians were picking over a new politicians were picking over a new politicians were picking over a new

Mercades 300 St. 100 change of policy, or signal a behind-the-scenes compromise between an administration and its result of the components. Lacking a compromise, such disclosures can be used for partisan posturing.

"All this leak business is pointing." Sures can be used for partisan posturing.

"All this leak business is painting the panel as more reactionary and regressive than is the least one control and control and the panel as for case," complained Senator Charles McC. Makers, for this Jr. of Maryland, a moderate Republican who originally proposed the commission and then served on it. "It draws an aura of controversy that did not exist."

Salvadoran progress on human rights. The report engendered a rapid-fire public

relations battle. At midday Monday, Larry M. Speakes, the White House spokesman, touched off a furor by stating the president's inclination. By late afternoon, Robert S. Strauss, a Demo-cratic member of the commission, responded, "I

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am amazed that the administration is already publicly walking away from significant elements of the report."

Mr. Kissinger called the White House urging that Mr. Speakes backtrack. About 8 P.M., Mr. Speakes called two news agencies to say that the president "will have an open mind" on the

Such a seguence of events is a normal part of presidential commissions. Normally, the particmants are conservatives and liberals, hardliners and doves, Republicans and Democrats, all of whom feel compelled to protect their constituencies and privately reassure their cohorts while the internal debate goes on. Mr. Kissinger got his panel to agree at its first

meeting last August to restrict public com-

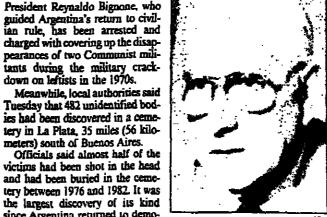
whole chapters burst into print. Last Sunday, Democratic members were pleased by a report in The Washington Post that

they had gotten their way by having the commission strongly link U.S. military aid to El Salvador to progress on human rights. Republi cans pointed out an article in The New York Times that highlighted the commission's warning that the Soviet Union was threatening a "strategic coup of major proportions" in Cenindeed, most administrations expect and want the thrust of commission deliberations to

dribble into public view, provided the White House or the commission chairman can shape the public perception of the group's work. Such panels, after all, are usually appointed to help a president remold public opinion on some thorny issue and fashion badly needed support in Congress.

This was the technique used twice last year by Mr. Reagan. In January, word from within his commission on Social Security kept emphasiz- and had been buried in the cemeing the danger of financial disaster and thus tery between 1976 and 1982. It was helped create the climate for the commission to the largest discovery of its kind recommend, and for Congress to accept, a com- since Argentina returned to demobination of delays and adjustments in Social cratic rule last month. Security benefits and taxes

Last March, a commission on the MX missile itary presidents who held power kept putting out the word that the White House after the 1976 coup that deposed would modify its arms control proposals and President Isabel Perón, was arrest accept a new single-warhead missile. This ed Tuesday, a month after leaving



Reynaldo Bignone

Carlos Oliveri, a federal district udge, issued the arrest order after hearing nearly five hours of secret office Tuesday, exempted Mr. Big-

Luis Garcia and Luis Steimberg. mer junta members charged in con-Communist Youth Federation, thousands of Argentines. were arrested in 1976 while serving at the National Military College. Mr. Bignone was director of the college at the time. Mr. Bignone was charged with

failing to report a crime, complicity in illegal detentions and abuse of authority. He was taken to army headquarters, where he was ordered to be held indefinitely at the Campo de Mayo military base near Buenos Aires, the Noticias Argentinas news agency said.

Mr. Bignone was considered the most moderate of the four recent military presidents. He guided Argentina through a difficult transition last year, easing censorship and setting free elections.

Raul Alfonsin, the civilian president who completed one month in estimony by the retired general on mone from summary courts-martial

The men, both members of the nection with the disappearances of But Judge Oliveri ruled that evi-

dence against Mr. Bignone justified

"preventive imprisonment" pend-

the fate of two army conscripts, that were ordered against nine for-

ing completion of an investigation into the disappearances of the two recruits. He said Mr. Bignone knew about "the use of human and material resources of the Military College

At least 6,000 people disappeared during the crackdown against suspected leftist guerrillas and sympathizers. More than 1,000 bodies of people believed to have been tortured and executed by se-

for the anti-subversive war.

curity forces have been exhumed since September 1983. Family members of the two missing recruits alleged that Mr. Bignone knew about their arrests.

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and five delegates not participating. Mr. Sharon had no immediate comment. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir had strongly endorsed Mr. Sharon for the position, but his candidacy was opposed by some American Lord Prime Minister. snaron for the position, but his candidaty was opposed by some American Jewish leaders and by moderate Zionist groups.

Some opponents said that Mr. Sharon lost credibility when he was reprimanded last year for failing to prevent Lebanese Christian militiamen from killing hundreds of Palestinian refugees in two Beirut camps in September 1982. Other opponents said that his appointment would nage Jewish immigration to Israel. Mr. Shamir, however, told the World Zionist Organization's convention Tuesday that opposition to Mr. Sharon would smear Israel with responsibility for the refugee massacres.

U.S., Honduras Plan New Maneuvers

WASHINGTON (WP) - The United States and Honduras will conduct new large-scale military exercises in Honduras beginning in June, just three months after the scheduled end of the current joint maneuvers known as Big Pine II, Pentagon officials say.

maneuvers known as mg rine ii, rentagoù ounans say.

The future exercises, which like Big Pine II are intended to apply pressure to the leftist government of Nicaragua, are still being planaed, and officials on Tuesday stressed that details and dates may still change.

They said the new exercise will be similar in scope to Big Pine II, which has involved more than 5,000 U.S. servicemen at a time, and is likely to last several months. The size and duration of the joint maneuvers are his skin is not to be broken and the flogger swings a extraordinary for the Defense Department, whose joint exercises in other supple, cane-like stick with only the lower part of his parts of the world rarely last more than three weeks, and they are having the effect of establishing a long-lasting U.S. military presence in Honda-

> Turkish Cypriot Again Urges Talks NICOSIA (Reuters) - The Turkish Cypriot leader, Rauf Denktash.

on Wednesday renewed his call for a resumption of talks on a settlement for divided Cyprus but strongly criticized the Greek Cypriot majority for refusing to negotiate.

Mr. Denktash reiterated proposals made Jan. 2 for Nicosia Interna-

tional Airport and the city of Famagusta, closed since Cyprus was split by the 1974 Turkish invasion, to be reopened under United Nations supervi-

The Greek Cypriot government, internationally recognized as the legitimate Cyprus administration, rejected the proposals and refused to negotiate until Mr. Denktash withdrew independence declared by the Turkish Cypriots in November.

Chadli Re-election Seen in Algeria

PARIS - President Bendjedid Chadli of Algeria is expected to be reelected unopposed for a second five-year term Thursday, in an election. that appears to be more of a plebiscite.

The election is a foregone conclusion because the president, who succeeded the late Houari Boumediene in February 1979, was unanimously nominated by the congress of the ruling National Liberation.

Front in Algiers last month and Algeria is a one-party state.

The president, who is known as Colonel Chadli, the name he adopted.

during the Algerian war of liberation against France, commanded the western military region when he was chosen to succeed Boumediene.

Vatican Talks Set Over Beagle Dispute VATICAN CITY (AP) - The foreign ministers of Argentina and Chile will meet with Vatican officials in Rome on Jan. 23 for "the conclusive phase" of negotiations in the Beagle Channel territorial

dispute, the Vatican announced Wednesday.

The announcement said that Argentina and Chile have "significantly narrowed" their differences and that they have agreed to hold the meeting

to give further weight to negotiations. In January 1979, Pope John Paul II agreed to mediate the dispute over several small islands in the channel, which had brought Argentina and Chile to the brink of war. Wednesday's announcement said that the pope has "deemed convenient the activation of the conclusive phase of the negotiations with the elaboration of a final treaty." This suggested that two countries were near a final accord on the sovereignty of the islands.

Iran Warns U.K. Over Sales to Iraq

TEHRAN (Reuters) - Prime Minister Mir Hussein Moussavi of Iran attacked Britain on Wednesday for allegedly selling chemical weapons to Iraq. He warned that "hostile policies" would not go unanswered. Mr. Moussavi's comments were made at a cabinet meeting and

mor Says reported by Tehran radio. They followed allegations in the Iranian press concerning reported British sales of chemical weapons to Iraq, which has been at war with Iran for more than three years.

Tehran radio quoted Mr. Moussavi as saying: "We have received information that chemical weapons that have been used against our forces were placed at the disposal of [the Irani president] Saddani Hussein's regime by the British government. In general, the British government has followed a hostile policy toward the Islamic Republic since the revolution, and we warn all imperialist enemies of the Islamic. Republic that their hostile policies will not go unanswered by our

Schools Reopen Throughout Tunisia

TUNIS (Reuters) - Schools and universities were reopened Wednesday throughout Tunisia for the first time since rioting during the first

The curiew imposed during the rioting was reduced from eight hours & day to six hours. But the state of emergency remaining in effect, and tanks and soldiers with fixed bayonets remained on guard at strategic points The Tunisian press displayed some tension over Sunday's sabotage of an oil pipeline near the Libyan border. Diplomats said the government was worried about the attack and implied that the pipeline had been

Giscard Denies Oil-Scheme Cover-Up

PARIS (IHT) — France's former president, Valery Giscard d'Estants, on Wednesday denied allegations made last week by Prime Minister Pierre Manroy that Mr. Giscard d'Estaing and his prime minister, Raymond Barre, had covered up details of an unsuccessful oil-prospect-

ing project.

In a televised interview, Mr. Giscard d'Estaing said that details concerning the so-called "sniffing aircraft affair" were available from officials and from Elf-Aquitaine, a state-controlled oil company that was responsible for the project. He said that after watching a demonstration of equipment to detect oil from the air, he wrote a report the next day in

which he described the plan as "entirely negative."

But Mr. Giscard d'Estaing also defended Elf as having "done is job". but Not. Chicard of Estanty also detended an as naving done in just by experimenting with new methods of exploring for oil and gas. He termed Mr. Mauroy's statements at a news conference Jan. 2 as "Jow level and untruthful." He said he would provide more detailed information in a

radio interview on Sunday.

Running westward from Urengoi, the 625-mile northern section For the Record Four masked and armed has

Four masked and armed bandits kidnapped Bruno Adami, 30, the son of a wealthy Italian surgeon and businessman, near Mantas, Italy, the police reported Wednesday. There was no immediate word on any day of the policy of the poli ransom demand, but the police said there was no doubt that it wis kidnapping for ransom. (AP)

Lidnapping for ransom. (AP)

The Soviet government announced Wednesday the appointment of Yevgeniy Sizenko, 52, as minister for the meat and dairy nidiusty. Mr. Sizenko, the party chief of the Bryansk region, south of Moscow, will, replace Sergei Antonov, 73, who was minister for 18 years and reportedly, retired for reasons of health. (Reuters)

Foreign Minister Guilio Andreotti of Italy left for the United States of Wednesday to confer with President Ronald Reagan and top administration officials. Mr. Andreotti is scheduled to meet Secretary General Livia. Perez de Cuellar of the United Nations in New York hefore goods.

Perez de Cuellar of the United Nations in New York before goods

Washington. (Reuters) Washington. (Keuters)

Verson Walters, the U.S. special presidential envoy, met Wednesday
with President Habib Bourguids of Tunisis and announced that the was
was meant to underline "the importance which the United States gives to

Tunisia's independence, territorial integrity and security." (AP) A bomb exploded Wednesday in an office block in the Spanish Batter

city of Bilbao, causing serious damage to a steel company office but injuries, police said. No one claimed responsibility for the blast but Basque separatists have carried out fragment by the blast but the same separatists have carried out fragment by the blast but the same separatists have carried out fragment by the same separatists. Basque separatists have carried out frequent bomb attacks again businesses that refuse to pay "revolutionary taxes" extortion moses-

Correction

The wrong photograph was run with the Business People column Wednesday's editions. The photo printed was of David Nussbaum, was appointed a director of Charterhouse Japhet PLC, with respon ity for developing the London-based merchant bank's activities in E

Saudis Credit Islamic Law With Keeping Crime Rate Down

By David Lamb Las Angeles Times Service

RIYADH — At high moon on Nov. 4, as thousands of worshipers poured out of the Jamia Mosque, a black police van carrying a man and woman drove into the empty parking lot outside the mosque and stopped next to a piece of cardboard placed on the

Ali Fakieh and Mouvira Sabie stepped from the van, blindfolded and with their arms bound behind them. They walked unsteadily toward the cardboard and the man who waited there - a muscular former slave of Ethiopian descent who carried a double-edged sword. He would earn about \$350 that day for severing

According to Western observers and newspaper accounts, the crowd stood shoulder to shoulder, pressing in toward the police lines. Men in white robes, fathers holding the hands of children, a salesman with two hunting falcons perched on his leather wrist band, all clustered together, silent and expectant. From a nearby tower an amplified voice boomed, invoking the name of Allah and reciting the sins of the murderers

Fakieh and Sabie. Fifteen years ago, when they were in their 20s, they had robbed and killed a man. But the victim's eldest son had not reached the age of consent and was not allowed to approve the death sentence or offer forgiveness, which would have earned them their freedom under Islamic law. So they had waited in prison for the young man to grow up and make his choice. Now the eldest son had become an adult and he had decided:

Fakieh, the man, was the first to kneel and bend on the cardboard, as though in prayer. According to the accounts, the executioner's assistant jabbed his ribs with a sharp stick. Fakieh's body jerked upward in response just as the curved sword swung down.

too, was dead. A doctor stepped forward to confirm the obvious. Two attendants tossed the two heads and two bodies on a stretcher, placed it in an ambulance and drove off. The crowd drifted away. Islamic justice had been carried out.

Saudi Arabia is the world's only country whose legal system is based entirely on the sharia, the body of slamic law. The Saudis have no constitution. The sharia is a system of checks and balances, compassion and harshness. Little understood or studied in the West, its punishments - public beheadings, amputations and floggings — are often dismissed as nothing less than a medieval form of barbarity.

To this criticism, the Saudis have a quick response: The tough penalties are a deterrent that have made Sandi Arabia probably the most crime-free country in the world on a per capita basis. "If there is a safer place anywhere, I don't know of it," says the welltraveled commerce minister, Soliman Solaim.

According to government statistics, there were only 14,220 major and minor crimes committed in 1982 in Saudi Arabia, a country of seven million people. In comparison, Los Angeles County, also with a population of seven million, recorded 159,662 arrests for felony crimes in 1982. Misdemeanor arrests totaled 339.837, and there were 1.415 murders committed.

The most common crime in Saudi Arabia was theft, accounting for 30 percent, followed by the consumption of alcohol, 22 percent; and burglary, 20 percent. The crime figures included 97 premeditated murders and 31 spicides. Foreign workers were responsible for 39 percent of the offenses, the Interior Ministry says.

The implementation of the sharia has gotten a bad press in the West because it runs counter to our trends of thought," said Frank Vogel, an American lawyer

The crowd watched wide-eyed but made no sound. Moments later the glistening sword, held by the executioner like a woodsman's ax, struck again, and Sabie, too, was dead. A doctor stepped forward to confirm social matters that are the responsibility of the entire in the United States, little violence occurs in Saudi

society.
"Why is the sharia effective? Because there's basically no crime in Saudi Arabia," he said. "In the of Justice from the top law school graduates and are widely respected for their incorruptibility. They alone United States, how many women are raped each year? How many people are killed? How many billions of dollars are spent on burglar alarms and anti-crime devices? So here they cut off a few hands of guilty people and avoid these horrors. Can you really say that makes them barbaric and us civilized?

No one has proved conclusively that there is a direct relationship between Saudi Arabia's harsh penalties and low crime rate, just as no one has proved that the use of the death penalty in the United States deters capital offenses.

Critics offer other possible explanations: Most Saudis are rich and no one is poor, they are religious and moral and believe the Koran, the Islamic holy book, when it says one should not drink, steal or commit adultery. The Sandis - members of the predominant Sunni branch of Islam -are also a tribal people with communal bonds, a society that believes in the sanctity of the family and the inviolability of the home.

Sharia translates in Arabic as the road to a watering place, hence the path of God. It differs fundamentally Western law in that it is not, in theory, manmade; it is divine, based on Allah's revelations to the Prophet Mohammed in the 7th century and on Mohammed's sayings. Since it is not case law, judges are not bound by precedent or the decisions of higher

Under the Saudi system, anyone suspected of a for an eye, a nose for a nose, an ear for an ear, a tooth crime is usually arrested immediately and required to for a tooth — and on fear. Amputations, the Kotan

decide guilt or innocence and punishment. Their courts are generally closed to all but the accused's family, and no counsel is present at the proceedings. There is no jury, no bail, no writ of habeas corpus. Under Islamic law, suspects can be held for months, even years, while investigations are under way. Despite this, many Western observers are impressed with the general fairness of the system and the discretion used in meting out punishment. All sentences must be personally approved by the king, and no more

tice, which recommends whether to prosecute. During

Judges in Saudi Arabia are recruited by the Ministry

than about a dozen executions a year are carried out. A guilty verdict is rendered only if there is a confession or there are two male witnesses to the crime. If there is the slightest doubt, judges reduce the charge to a lesser Anyone found to have falsely accused a chaste women of adultery gets 100 lashes, 20 more than for consuming alcoholic beverages. Whippings — administered in public, as is all punishment — are designed to humiliate, not main. The victim remains clothed, is the backers and the former purious.

Punishment, as in most societies, is based on retaliation - or as the Koran says, "a soul for a soul, an eye

make a statement without a lawyer being present.

Says, "will be a disgrace for them in this world, whilst in the next a terrible punishment awaits them."

Israel's Economic Crisis **Puts Shamir to the Test**

By Edward Walsh

Washington Post Service JERUSALEM - Yitzhak Shamir, who became Israel's seventh prime minister in October, is in the midst of his first serious test of leadership as he and his government confront the country's deep-

ening economic crisis. His new finance minister, Yigal Cohen-Orgad, is seeking to impose an across-the-board, 9-percent government budget cut on the other, reluctant members of the cabinet.

Economic austerity measures already in force are beginning to squeeze the public, causing labor mrest, strains within the fragile government coalition and an erosion of political support for the

The coming weeks are viewed as crucial for Mr. Shamir as he seeks to gain control of the economy while holding his government together and avoiding demands for early elections.

Israel's economic troubles, although long in the making, have put a sudden end to the brief political honeymoon that Mr. Shamir enjoyed after replacing Menachem Begin. At the outset, Mr. Shamir, appeared to be a relief to the public

after the tumultuous Begin years. ry it would have to lower its standard of living as part of a recovery program, the effects of the first austerity measures imposed by his government were not felt immedi-

Syria Sends Note To U.S., Raising Lebanon Hopes

WASHINGTON - President Ronald Reagan has received a letter from President Hafez al-Assad of Syria that has given rise to administration hopes of breaking the stalemate in Lebanon, the White

House said Wednesday. The White House spokesman, Larry M. Speakes, said the letter, received Monday, was in response to a letter from Mr. Reagan in which the U.S. president said it was an "opportune time" to discuss the

issues dividing the two countries.

Mr. Speakes declined to disclose the contents of Mr. Assad's letter. But he said that "We've seen hopeful signs - yes, we do see an opportunity" to improve relations.

The ice was broken between the

two countries when a Democratic sidential aspirant, the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, went to Syria as part of successful efforts to persuade Mr. Assad to free Lieutenant Robert O. Goodman Jr., a navy flier shot down in a raid over Syrian posi-

tions in Lebanon on Dec. 3. Mr. Speakes declined to say if Mr. Assad had indicated a willingness to see the U.S. special envoy to the Middle East, Donald H. Rumsately. In the meantime, the new prime minister made a highly successful trip to Washington, bringing home a "strategic cooperation" agreement with the United States and promises of major aid conces-

Improvements in U.S. aid terms, however, offer no relief to the country's most pressing economic problems. Israelis face a bleak winter with inflation at 200 percent or more and currency devaluations have cut into their real incomes by as much as 30 percent.

In response, Israeli civil servants have begun work slowdowns, disrupting public services, to press for protection from wage erosion.

Labor unrest and high inflation are nothing new to Israel, which has weathered severe economic cnses in the past. But this is the first crisis to confront the Shamir government, which is still largely untested and does not appear to have a large reservoir of political capital among the public.

"This is a new government, which lacks the authority and the strength of personality you had when Menachem Begin was domi-nant," said Ehud Olmert, a young member of the ruling Likud bloc in Israel's parliament. "In substance. it is the same, but there is a lack of While Mr. Shamir told the coun-strength. There is much less personal loyalty to Shamir than there

was to Begin."
The underlying weakness of the government is reflected in opinion polls, which show a growing if unenthusiastic preference for the opposition Labor Alignment. A poll published Tuesday by the Jerusa-lem Post showed Mr. Shamir slight-ly behind former President Yitzhak Navon as the public's first choice

for prime minister. The finding was particularly sur-prising because Mr. Navon, a member of the Labor Party, has not been active in political life since leaving the presidency last spring. The Israeli public almost always expresses a decided preference for the incumbent prime minister when questioned by polling organi-

As the head of a shaky coalition of six separate political parties and a handful of independents, Mr. Shamir risks defections that could topple his government or lead to early elections if he pushes too hard for the budget cuts. Yet, if his government cannot agree on a clear program that will give Israelis hope for eventual recovery, its public support is virtually certain to dwindie even further.

■ Cabinet Votes Cuts

Key Israeli cabinet members approved budget cuts of \$800 million in a compromise Wednesday, United Press International reported from Jerusalem.

The finance minister cut the Social Welfare Ministry budget by only 6 percent instead of 9 and also settled for less in the Education Ministry. Israeli Radio said the measures still needed full cabinet

AFRICAN ROADBLOCK - Nigerian troops search cars and passengers at a

roadblock on the road from Lagos to Port Harcourt. The soldiers remain wary since

Major General Mohammed Buhari seized power in a military coup on New Year's Eve.



Avital Shcharansky, in Paris, holds up a letter she received recently from her husband, Anatoli. The Jewish dissident has been held in a prison near Moscow since July 1978.

Avital Shcharansky Sees Hope in Stockholm Talks

By Axel Krause

PARIS - Avital Shcharansky hopes that during the Conference on Disarmament in Europe in Stockholm next week she will be able to win the release of her ailing husband, Anatoli, who has been in

indicated that there is some reason to hope that the well-known dissigesture of good will.

after their wedding, after being told her husband could follow. The effort has left her exhausted and frequently disappointed.

Chistopol Prison, east of Moscow. His wife said he suffers from severe

encouraging signs that the Soviets

consider to be around the middle of

a Soviet prison since 1978. Western diplomatic sources have dent might be released as a Soviet

The campaign to free him began shortly after Mrs. Shcharansky emigrated to Israel in 1974, one day

She is on a new swing through West European capitals.

Mr. Shcharansky, 36, a former computer engineer and active Jew-ish dissident, was convicted of spy-ing for the United States on July 13, 1978. He was sentenced to a 13year term, which he is serving in

heart trouble and glaucoma. "Perhaps because of his health and political considerations," she said in Paris, "we have had some

will release him at the halfway point of his prison term, which they

> January. She said that senior U.S. officials indicated to her last year that Mr. Shcharansky might be released before the end of his sentence. A similar message was contained in a letter from the Soviet leader. Yuri V. Andropov, to Georges Marchais, general secretary of the French Communist Party, which was published in January 1982 by

> L'Humanité, the party's daily Some Western diplomatic officials have speculated that there may be plans for an exchange in-volving the release of an unidenti-

fied Soviet official held in the West. Mrs. Shcharansky said her hus-band's release might be expedited by talks in Stockholm between the Soviet foreign minister, Andrei A. Gromyko, and Western officials including the U.S. secretary of state,

George P. Shultz Mrs. Shcharansky, 32, last saw her husband at a Moscow airport on July 5, 1974, the day after their wedding. She flew to Israel and was assured by Soviet officials that her rusband could join her.

"This never happened, of course, and he was arrested and impris-oned in March 1977," she said. "I have been fighting for him, like a soldier, ever since I left." Although she settled in Jerusaem, Mrs. Shcharansky said she spends about 80 percent of her time traveling. She has received promises of help from many world lead-

ers. including U.S. President Ron-

ald Reagan and President François

Mrs. Shcharansky was accompanied in Paris by Josef Mendelevich. a Jewish dissident who was in the same prison as Mr. Shcharansky until being released in 1981.

We are fighting for Anatoli," he said. "but also for many other of the 40,000 Jews in Russia who cannot emigrate, such as Alexander Lerner, who is also a scientist and has wanted to leave for over 10 years.

Thatcher to Visit Hungary

LONDON - Britain's prime minister. Margaret Thatcher, will make a two-day visit to Hungary beginning Feb. 2, at the invitation of Prime Minister Gyorgy Lazaar of Hungary, her office announced

Lebanese Battles Flare As U.S. Envoy Arrives

broke out among Lebanon's war- he maintains is controlled by the ring factions Wednesday, compli-rightist Christian Phalangist Party cating efforts by the U.S. Middle East envoy, Donald H. Rumsfeld, president's father. and Saudi Arabia to bring peace to 🖀 Howe Visits Syria

the Lebanese capital. As Mr. Rumsfeld returned from talks with Israeli leaders in Jerusalem, fighting raged near the U.S. Marine base at Beirut International Airport and Druze Moslem ganmen later broke a brief truce in the mountains overlooking the capital, state-run Beirut radio said. At least one person was reported killed, it

A small bomb exploded in a garage 50 yards (45 meters) from the French Embassy in West Beirut, a French spokesman said. The blast followed two days of attacks on the French in which one French soldier died, A U.S. marine was killed Sun-

After talks with Lebanese leaders, Mr. Rumsfeld hoped to visit Syria's foreign minister, Abdel-Halim Khaddam to discuss the lack of progress in agreeing on a Saudiinspired security plan for Beirut, Lebanon's official news agency

troops in the multinational peacekeeping force. Mr. Rumsfeld planned to travel to Damascus before another round of talks Monday with the Lebanese, Syrian and Saudi foreign min- Of Ulster Police isters during an Islamic conference at Casablanca, Morocco, the agen-

The security plan, calling for the Lebanese Army to take over some areas controlled by warring Mos-lem and Christian factions in Beirut, was shelved after the Druze leader, Walid Jumblat, refused to accept it unless key demands were met by the Christian-led govern-

Rejecting the security plan, Mr. Jumblat echoed a Syrian demand by calling on President Amin Gemayel to cancel the Israeli-Lebanese troop withdrawal accord mediated in May by Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

BEIRUT - Heavy fighting form of the Lebanese Army, which headed by Pierre Gemayel, the

Britain's foreign secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, arrived in Damascus from Saudi Arabia on Wednesday for talks with Syrian officials during the last leg of a Middle East tour, Reuters reported from Da-

A British Embassy spokesman said that Sir Geoffrey's official program did not include talks with President Hafez al-Assad, but the two men were expected to meet before the foreign secretary leaves Thursday. Western diplomats said that Sir Geoffrey had brought forward his

arrival in the hope of improving prospects of a meeting with the His talks in Damascus were expected to concentrate on developments in Lebanon, where a 100man British contingent serves alongside U.S., French and Italian

IRA Claims Shooting

United Press International BELFAST -- The outlawed Irish Republican Army said Wednesday it had shot a policeman who was killed in his car Tuesday, the first Northern Ireland this year.

William Fullerton, 48, was shot

to death when his car was ambushed at a traffic circle on the outskirts of Newry, near the border with the Irish Republic, the police said. In another attack Wednesday, the police said, two policemen escaped with minor injuries when their car was damaged by a land mine about 60 miles (100 kilometers) west of Belfast.

Soviet Gas Official Denies Serious Damage to Pipeline

(Continued from Page 1) exports and to register American leasure with Soviet policy in

When Tass announced last week that the line was in operation, Western engineers were skeptical. A survey they conducted among themselves subsequently showed that only one of the pumping stations was ready for operation and that of the other 40, only one was

approaching readiness. In fact, Western experts in Moscow say, deliveries to France can

Clark Renounces Any Sales, Leasing Of U.S. Parklands

WASHINGTON — Interior Secretary William P. Clark has pledged that no national parklands, wilderness areas, game ref-uges or wetlands would be offered

for lease or sale while he is in office. However, Mr. Clark added Tuesday in a policy speech to the Na-tional Association of Manufacturers that he would try to accelerate the process of releasing — for mul-tiple uses, including development resources - areas that are now under study for possible wilderness

He also said he would try to slow the process in which members of Congress were carving out new wilderness areas for their own states without waiting for the U.S. review to be completed.

Mr. Clark disclosed that, in the proposal for the 1985 fiscal year that President Ronald Reagan is to submit to Congress on Jan. 30, his department's budget would be reduced by \$200 million from the 1984 appropriation of \$6.7 billion. pipelines that run westward from Urengoi, linking to an older export Western diplomats said the fire appeared to have occurred last onth in a storage building and

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that the electronic equipment ap-parently was ruined. Several Westessmen with contracts on the pipeline said they had heard similar accounts. The equipment was designed to monitor and control the flow of gas through the five 10-megawatt tur-

bines in the station, the largest on

of the line was designed in large part by a consortium formed by Creusot-Loire of France and Mannesman of West Germany, but a spokesman at the Creusot-Loire office in Moscow referred inquiries to a third company, Thomson S.A.F. of France, which holds contracts on the electronic control and monitoring equipment. Callers to the Thomson office were told that there was no official of the compa-

ny in Moscow with the authority to

answer inquiries. Diplomatic sources said Tuesday that a British engineer had died and two Russians were injured when a pipe carrying flammable fluid exploded and caught fire at a com-pressor station in October.

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Huge Amounts of Aid For Armies, Economies **Urged for Latin America**

By Joanne Omang

WASHINGTON - As expected, the Kissinger Commission on Central America recommended Wednesday an economic aid program of \$8.4 billion and "significantly increased military assistance for the region. Both forms of aid are tied to observance of human rights and democratic procedures.

Accepting the panel's report from the chairman, Henry A. Kissinger, President Ronald Reagan said he hoped it would convince Congress of the need to put forth a program that will achieve the report's goels.

He praised panel members "of the loyal opposition," mentioning the labor leader, Lane Kirkland and the Democratic politician, Robert S. Strauss, for helping to produce "a consensus recognition of the preent nature and the complexity of the crisis in Central America and the implications for our fundamental interests."

Much of the commission's 132page report, the product of five months of work, had already been

leaked to the press. Its report views the Central American situation in a context of East-West confrontation, It argues that urgent U.S. action is necessary on the economic, social, political and military fronts at the same time, not only because U.S. neighbors are suffering but because vital U.S. interests are at stake.

Whatever the short-term costs of acting now, they are far less than the long-term costs of not acting now," the report said. "We are challenged now in Central America. No agony of indecision will

make that challenge go away."

The panel of 12 reached what several members called a surprising degree of consensus on that basic finding and on the 41 recommendations of the report, cautioning that despite the filing of exceptions by cight members, including Mr. issinger, they were in fundamen tal agreement.

Among the recommendations are the following:

An emergency stabilization program of \$400 million "to buy time" should be approved at once and spent mainly on construction of housing roads, bridges and other projects. There should be an immediate conference of U.S. and Central American leaders on eco-

• Congress should fund a five year economic aid program of \$6

California Is Out of Red, Governor Says

By Robert Lindsey New York Times Service

SACRAMENTO, California The state government, which was on the brink of bankruptcy a year ago, will have enough money in its next fiscal year to set aside an emergency fund of almost \$1 bil-

It will also sharply increase spending for universities, state employee salaries and a wide range of other needs, according to Governor George Deukmejian.

Our common-sense policies have restored confidence in Cali-fornia as a good place to do busi-ness, and they've helped to spur an economic recovery that is the best we have seen in decades," Governor Deukmejian said Tuesday in his annual State of the State Message to a joint session of the legisla-

submitted to the Democratic-controlled legislature a budget of \$29.9 billion for the fiscal year beginning July 1. The budget is about \$4 bilhon, or 13 percent, higher than that of a year ago. No tax increases were

proposed. Surprising some of his antagonists in the Legislature, with whom he has waged a battle over spending priorities since taking office a year ago, Mr. Denkmejian gave high priority to improvements in the state's system of four-year col-

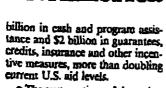
The administrators of these institutions had complained in recent years that budget cutbacks threatened their schools' reputation as among the best in the United

The budget proposes a 30-percent increase, to \$1.4 billion, for the general fund of the University of California, including a 16-percent

increase in faculty salaries. The governor also proposed spending \$900 million to continue Renters)

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• The seven nations of the region and the United States should set up a Central American Development Organization that would distribute balance-of-payments support loans. Run by a U.S. board chairman and a Central American exceutive, the organization would administer about a quarter of the U.S. aid and could be joined by other contributing nations.

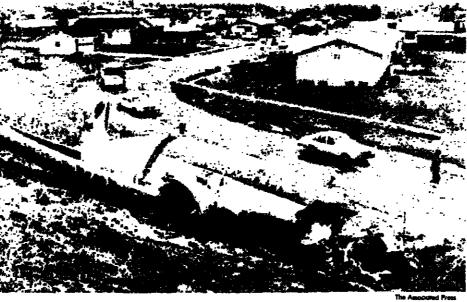
Access to aid would be conditioned on continued progress toward defined political, social and economic goals, the report said, including "the protection of personal and economic liberties." These conditions, according to commission critics, were designed in part to exclude Nicaragua.

 "Significantly increased levels of military aid as quickly as possi-ble should go to El Salvador, but the aid "should, through legislation requiring periodic reports, be made contingent upon demonstrated progress" toward free elections; freedom of association; the establishment of the rule of law and an effective judicial system; the end of the killings by the so-called death squads; and vigorous action

gainst those guilty of crimes." The same approach should apply to Guatemala, where "military assistance could become necessary but human rights abuses have been "unacceptable." the commission

The report said that Nicaragua "must be aware that force remains an ultimate recourse."

It said that "the United States and the countries of the region retain this option only as a course of last resort and only where there are clear dangers to U.S. security."



CLOSE SHAVE --- A Canadian-owned DC-3 cargo plane crashed about 50 yards from homes in the St. Louis, Missouri, suburb of Bridgeton, shortly after takeoff Monday. Investigators, who said they suspected that the wrong fuel had been put in the plane, praised its two pilots, who were badly injured, for directing it away from the houses

Damages Reinstated in Silkwood Case

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court on Wednesday reinstated a \$10-million award won by Karen Silkwood's children against Kerr-McGee Corp.

The justices, by a 5-4 vote, reversed a decision that had thrown out an Oklahoma jury's award to Silkwood's estate as an impermissi ble conflict with federal regulation of the nuclear industry.

The Supreme Court said that there was no impermissible conflict between the state and federal laws. The decision, however, leaves Kerr-McGee free to challenge the amount of the award in lower

Silkwood, a 28-year-old laboratory analyst at Kerr-McGee's Cimarron plutonium plant near Cres-Oklahoma, died in an reporter for The New York Tunes. Days before, she had been conto be destroyed.

taminated by radiation. Silkwood, a union activist responsible for monitoring health and safety matters at the Cimarron plant, reportedly wanted to make public evidence of missing plutonium and falsified safety records.

The Silkwood case has become a symbol for critics of the U.S. nuclear power industry.

Her family sued in 1976, alleging negligence by Kerr-McGee and seeking damages for injuries Silkwood suffered, primarily fear and anxiety, during the nine days from her contamination to her death.

A trial jury in Oklahoma said Kerr-McGee should pay Silkwood's three children \$500,000 in actual damages and \$10 million in automobile accident Nov. 13, 1974, punitive damages. The jury also Stevens and Sandra Day O'Con-while on her way to meet with a awarded \$5,000 for Silkwood's nor.

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had overturned the punitive damage award after ruling that the federal government's exclusive regulation of radiation hazards preempted a punitive damage award based on state law.

On Wednesday, a narrow majority of the Supreme Court said the inneals court was wrong.

The court also disagreed with the Reagan administration, which had entered the Silkwood case to argue that awarding punitive damages conflicted with federal laws that impose civil fines for nuclear safety violations.

Joining Justice White's opinion were Justices William J. Brengan. William H. Rehnquist, John Paul

Wick Said to Apologize to Carter For Secretly Taping Conversation

By Howard Kurtz

Washington Past Service WASHINGTON - Charles Z. Wick, director of the U.S. Information Agency, secretly tape-recorded a telephone conversation with former President Jimmy Carter in 1982 and called Mr. Carter in recent days to apologize, according

Mr. Carter accepted Mr. Wick's apology and said he did not hold a grudge, but added that he thought Mr. Wick had made a serious mistake, the sources said. They said the taping occurred when Mr. Wick called the former president to solict his views about arms control.

The USIA no longer has a transcript of Mr. Wick's call to Mr. Carter, but the sources said that the agency has given a document reconstructing the conversation to two congressional committees looking into Mr. Wick's taping of telephone calls.

Mr. Carter's name is the latest to emerge from the documents turned over Monday to the Senate Foreign Relations and House Foreign Affairs panels. The documents include \$1 transcripts and four tapes of Mr. Wick's conversations, along with 83 sets of stenographic notes of phone calls prepared by secre-

Among those taped by Mr. Wick, sources said, was the Washington Post columnist Mary McGrory. It was previously dis-closed that Mr. Wick had taped conversations with, among others, the former television newsman Walter Cronkite; the television reporter Sander Vanocur; Representative Dante B. Fascell, a Florida Democrat; the White House chief of staff, James A. Baker 3d; the presidential counselor, Edwin leese 3d, and Senator Mark O. Hatfield, Republican of Oregon.

Mr. Fascell's committee has urged Mr. Wick to make public all the tapes, transcripts and notes, according to one member, Represen-

has suggested that Mr. Wick call each person who was recorded and ask whether he or she would object

to release of the transcript. These documents should be made public so the press and public will have the opportunity to analyze why" Mr. Wick was taping the calls. Mr. Levine said. "When the USIA director is recording conversations without people's permission, you've created a situation where the stuff ought to be avail-

Sources familiar with the tran-

scripts said they contain no evidence of wrongdoing and few embarrassing statements, as USIA officials have maintained. "There's nothing in those papers that's going to hurt or embarrass anyone," one

able for public scrutiny."

But USIA officials reportedly candidate in the Ma are reluctant to release the material party officials said.

tative Mel Levine, Democrat of for several reasons. Sources said California. He said the committee agency officials believe it would be an invasion of privacy to publicize private conversations with Mr. Wick's friends and associates, some

of whom are not public officials. Mr. Levine said this was "an interesting position to take when these people's privacy was invaded by the USIA director doing the

Mr. Wick left Tuesday on a trip to Central America. No decision on release of the transcripts is expected before his return next week.

Kuomiatang to Pick Chiang United Press International

TAIPEI - The ruling Knomintang party decided Wednesday to nominate President Chiang Chingkuo to a second six-year term as its candidate in the March 21 election,



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And the Death Squads?

Presented with a dish of broccoli, the child in the famous New Yorker cartoon pushes it away, declaring, "I say it's spinach, and I say the hell with it." That seems to be President Reagan's view of any required certification of human rights progress in El Salvador. Before his own Kissinger commission formally pre-sented its report, a White House spokesman had said that Mr. Reagan was "inclined" to reject its recommendation on certification.

Robert Strauss, a Democrat on the commission, finds this run to judgment "amazing." It is also bewildering. The president presumably appointed this distinguished bipartisan commission to create a basis for general understanding and support of U.S. purposes in Central America. The commission cannot improve the chances for consensus when unpalatable ideas are repudiated in advance.

Certification was never truly effective, because neither Congress nor the administration was prepared to cut off aid essential to preventing a guerrilla victory. But if certification was ineffective, it was hardly unimportant. It sprang from revulsion over U.S. complicity in

gruesome killings by right-wing death squads. It symbolized doubts as to Mr. Reagan's willingness to end that complicity. It attested to a genuine, bipartisan conviction that the war against guerrillas could never be won if "our" side condoned the massacre of civilians and the subversion of democratic reforms.

Only after three years did the Reagan ad-

ministration denounce the death squads. Tardily but creditably. Vice President George Bush went to San Salvador with a list of suspected offenders to be exiled or arrested. Three officers were reassigned abroad and a murder suspect was detained. Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Dam cites these modest gains as proof that Mr. Reagan's quiet nudge is more effective than the public report card of certification. Mr. Dam's optimism is premature, perhaps also pre-emptive. Those Salvadoran steps were taken just as the administration prepares to ask Congress for an additional \$100 million in military aid for El Salvador and just before the Kissinger commission report was coming out, spinach and all.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Wick's Good Apology

That was a good and gracious apology that Charles Wick, director of the United States Information Agency, offered on Monday for his telephone-taping adventures. Mr. Wick now concedes that the taping of some of his phone calls, without notice to the callers, was an unfair practice, an invasion of his callers' privacy and something that "can lead to other, more dangerous practices." Although his purpose was simply "to extend the reach of my own memory, never to threaten or humiliate others," he said, "it has become quite clear to me that in trying to be meticulous about my own managerial tasks I frequently ignored the potential impact on others.

Mr. Wick also acknowledged responding to early press queries about the tapings with "misinformation" — on account of "my anxiety and faulty recollection" — and he offered his regrets for that, too.

We wish Mr. Wick had made such a statement the minute the story about his telephone taping broke. The impression he gave then was that he was doubly insensitive: to the offense he had committed against his callers and to his obligation to the president and the public to make a prompt, full explanation. But he has now remedied that. And the fact that he needed prompting to do the right thing is less important than that he now appears to be doing it - in private apologies to his callers, in public statements and in testimony to the several official inquiries into his phone habits.

It remains for President Reagan to find occasion to make it perfectly clear that he, too, understands why no one in his administration should abuse the confidence that every telephone caller has a right to expect, by taping a caller who has not been duly warned.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Even Homer Laughed

Scholars are again disputing why Homer often called the sea "wine-dark" when anybody not in his cups can see that it isn't. One school holds that the Aegean does sometimes turn the color of claret, justifying poetic license. Another says that the wine in ancient Greece, when mixed with sufficiently alkaline water, may have turned sea-blue. Hateful as it is to resolve so elevated an argument, we must

bring both schools a little closer to earth. The Iliad" and "The Odyssey" are each thousands of lines in length. In the days before human memory capacity was reduced by the advent of writing to its present few kilobytes, these epics could be stored in a single head. Its owner would be much in demand to recite them at parties. Now there is a problem with long poems. Even when listening to such high-

lights as Hector's farewell to his wife or Odysseus's trip to the underworld or the expiry of his faithful dog, the audience's eyes may glaze and minds may wander. Hence, defuly sprinkled through the epics are wake-up lines for the narrator to test listener reaction.

The phrase "the starry sky" is used often in the description of full-daytime action. That brutish troglodyte, the one-eyed Cyclops, is referred to as "great-hearted" and "godlike."
The Greeks' ships are called "swift-sailing"
when firmly beached on the shores near Troy.
What's an occasional wine-dark sea in this

ocean of occasional absurdities? Critics cite them as lapses and remark that even Homer nodded. To the contrary: He just wanted to test if his audience was still awake.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Opinion

Toward Starvation in Nigeria? If financial support were withheld from Ni-

geria, the immediate sufferers would be its foreign suppliers. The country's problem is not massive foreign borrowing, like Mexico's or Brazil's, but simple inability to pay for recent imports of goods and services. It has been obvious for some years that Nigeria would never be able to pay for imports on the scale which it has got used to, and which have been made to look cheap in Nigerian terms by the overvaluation of the naira.

Far worse, for a decade and more Nigeria's population has been growing even faster than its food production has been dwindling. Food imports, once a luxury, have become a necessity, on the back of domestic development policies and exchange rate follies that might have been designed to drive its peasants off the land. By delaying the economic reforms that the Shagari government had begun, and by undermining the goodwill that the previous move toward democracy had earned Nigeria, General Buhari and his friends may condemn very large numbers of their fellow countrymen and countrywomen to starvation.

- The Economist (London).

UNESCO: 'Rights of Peoples'

As in the case of the United Nations, [UNESCO's] charter commits its members to support basic human rights. What has been pursued by the agency for the past five years or so is "the rights of peoples" — a euphemism for upholding the supremacy of the state over

individual citizens. The United States should increase coordination with its allies in the West and the rest of the world — which share its beliefs in democracy, a free press and unrestricted flow of information — to reform the agency from within until the deadline for its collapse-or-cure ultimatum comes on Dec. 31. --- The Japan Times (Tokyo).

Americans and the Vatican

The diplomatic recognition of the Holy See by Britain in 1982, and by Norway, Sweden and Denmark last year, must have made it a little easier for the United States to countenance such a step, but [Tuesday's] announcement still has a note of defiance about it: defiance of the extreme church-and-state separationist lobby. President Ronald Reagan may well have calculated that as many votes are to be gained as to be lost by normalizing his country's relations with the Vatican.

Within the United States the Roman Catho-

lic Church is already established as the largest single denomination. Hispanic immigration, illegal and legal, together with a higher than average birthrate, could give that church an overall majority by the end of the century. What is more significant is the gradual eclipse of the old White Anglo-Saxon Protestant ascendancy, both under the pressure of non-WASP immigration and the decline of the influence of the Eastern seaboard. California has less reason for fastidiousness in its relations with the papacy than New England. - The Times (London).

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1909: Four Guillotined in France PARIS - For the first time in several years the guillotine accomplished its mission in France ion Jan. II]. Four times the knife fell and the leaders of the band of criminals of Abel Pollet paid for their crimes of murder and robbery. The news of the quadruple execution at Béthune (Pas-de-Calais) had spread through the countryside. With the appearance, after three executions, of Abel Pollet, the exasperation of the crowd reached its apogee. Shouts of "A mort!" burst forth. Abel Pollet stopped, turned his head towards the crowd and shouted hoarsely: "You gang of cowards! Down with bigots!" The accomplishment of justice roused the crowd to delirium.

1934: Counting Ions, Timing Light WASHINGTON — When a cosmic ray bangs into a molecule of air the molecule smashes into small pieces. The pieces become charged with electricity and then the scientists call them ions. In the Carnegie Institution is a machine which sucks in air and ions, expels the former and counts the latter, 24 hours a day. The ion counter is expected to provide some exceedingly valuable information. Meanwhile, the business of measuring the speed of light is an even knottier problem. Dr. Robert A. Milliken and other scientists have been trying to measure light's speed in a sealed tube one mile long. Nearly every time they compute the

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Toward Disengagement From Lebanon

P ARIS — The pre-electoral debate in America on military presence in Lebanon has no equivalent in France, but the outcome may be

the same: progressive disengagement.
With the slow but regular increase of French casualties in Lebanon, not to mention the civilian deaths caused by Middle Eastern terrorism in France itself, and with the evident defeat and division of the PLO, a French protegé, and the increasing risks of escalation of the Iraq-Iran war, France's highly visible and ambitious policy of presence in the Middle East may need to be reexamined. Its three pillars - Lebanon, Iraq and

the PLO — are being questioned.

France's engagement, through its diplomacy and its weapons, on the Iraqi side against Iran is the continuation of a policy mitiated in the 1970s. The rationale is economic but above all political - considerations that are largely understood, at least as far as the goals are concerned, by most of France's partners.

Iran cannot be allowed to win its war without incalculable consequences to the entire stability of the region. By staying loyal to a traditional ally, with a consistency that the United States lacked in dealing with the shah, the French are acting in a responsible manner to redress a precarious balance of power. They combine self-interest and geopolitical considerations. Such a policy toward Iraq is not devoid of implicit openings to Iran, such as the noted recent statements of President François Mitterrand insisting

that France is the enemy of no country. But the Iraqi dimension of French diplomacy, although legitimate, could become the subject of heated controversy if the Iraqis, with their new French arms, chose to escalate the Gulf war.

A second pillar of France's policy, its support of the PLO, can also be presented in terms of a well-established political tradition, even if many regard that tradition as ill-founded. Also, support for the PLO can serve to counterbalance a banese policy that can appear to be too closely aligned with that of America. Clear support of the PLO is a way of preserving, in French eyes, an independent and original policy in the region. But today that rationale is threatened by the weakening of the PLO's representativity.

The most immediate concern remains Lebanon. Reconsideration of France's Lebanese com-

communist pronouncements.

China's Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang.

playing the "China card" against Moscow in a provocative way, Presi-

dent Reagan talked practical com-

mon sense to his visitor from Beijing

about trade and peace, and now he

has better relations with China and

the Soviet Union than they have with

one another. That is not saying much, but it does attest to his ability to

In a few days the president will be

making a major speech about U.S.-

weapons in Western Europe to re-

store the balance of military power,

he will be urging the Russians to come back to the negotiating table,

and sending Secretary of State

George Shultz to Stockholm later in

the month to talk to Andrei Gromyko

about the possibility of stopping the

why the change? It is, I think,

because Mr. Shultz and the new na-

tional security adviser, Bud McFar-

lane, have convinced Mr. Reagan

that his confrontation policies as re-

gards Moscow, Central America and

the Middle East were not working, or

In addition, James Baker and the

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moving in the right direction. The

best forecasts — although economists

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Unemployment, of course, will be disgracefully high, but trending down. Inflation may be coming back,

but on little cat feet. A few puritan

souls like Martin Feldstein will be

losing sleep over \$200 billion deficits, but the bills will not be coming due

gan is vulnerable or should be. Gre-

nada — the rhinestone jewel in his crown — was a famous victory over

700 Cubans. He has not a single ma-

jor foreign policy accomplishment to his credit, and in at least three areas

he has made a dangerous muddle: Central America. Mr. Reagan's

November veto of the link between aid to El Salvador and progress in that country's ghastly human rights problems confounds his own admin-

istration's belated campaign against right-wing death squads, which con-

leftist guerrillas to the democracy

that Mr. Reagan supposedly seeks. He persists, against both the OAS and the UN Charters, in assaulting

Nicaragua with a CIA-sponsored "covert" army, while turning Hondu-

ras into a U.S. military base and

paying fittle more than lip service to

the regional peace efforts of the Con-tadora nations. Even if no overt U.S.

invasion is planned, in this tense situ-

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He's Weak on Foreign Policy,

But Where's the Opposition?

By Tom Wicker

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Without abandoning Taiwan, or

By Dominique Moisi

mitment is likely. It will be prompted less by French casualties, or by fear of Middle Eastern terrorism on French soil, than by a growing feeling of impotence and resignation vis-à-vis Lebanon's own evolution. Rather than to defend Lebanon's independence against its foes, foreign and Lebanese, the French and Western aim may soon be to get out without loss of dignity and credibility in the region and elsewhere.

As fear of Shiite fundamentalism spreads out of control in Lebanon and the region at large, there is disillusionment with Lebanon's government and its elites, who can be seen as ultimately more bent on self-destruction than on settlement. Syria thus appears increasingly as the ultimate recourse. For the Western powers, the only face-saving solution may be de facto recognition of the right of Syria to a virtual protector-ate over its smaller and ungovernable neighbor. The recent reorganization of the French force, with the shift of one-fourth of its troops to the

United Nations command in the south, away from the bloody cockpit of Beirut, can be seen as a step in the direction of the replacement of the multinational force by a UN force.

That sort of "realistic retreat" can of course be dignified by prestigious precedent. Might not France in Lebanon, as the late Pierre Mendes-France did in Indochina, impose a deadline on its presence — giving the Lebanese government 60 days, say, to demonstrate willingness and ability to act responsibly and representatively?

In the absence of a political will on the part of the Western powers to commit themselves more fully militarily on the ground, and in the absence of any Lebanese show of unity, this kind of "realism" will slowly prove irresistible with the approach of the U.S. elections and the growing frustration, for France, of a highly visible Middle Eastern policy of presence.

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Reagan: Now a Readiness to Compromise WASHINGTON — Something

By James Reston

new is going on in Washington. President Reagan is beginning to alarming the NATO allies and, probtalk about foreign policy in a gentler way. He slips into the old hell-fire religion once in a while, but he is no can voters at the beginning of the longer a prisoner of his past antipresidential election year.

So there is a switch, not of policy but of tone, in the White House. The president is listening more to Mr. Shultz, Mr. McFarlane and his staff He is listening to some of the advice of the Kissinger commission's compromise proposals on Central America. He is looking for an escape at the National Security Council, and hatch for the marines in Lebanon. And he has been a model host to listening less to the anti-communist

The eight Democratic presidential candidates are encouraging this tendency. As the American economy has improved, they are concentrating on the president's foreign policy prob-lems. They are calling for the with-drawal of the marines from Lebanon; they are blaming Mr. Reagan for the murder of marines and are emphasiz-ing that the administration sent the troops to Beirut in the first place, and they are asking when the president intends to get them out of that trap.

It is not only the Democrats who Soviet relations. Having survived the are urging him to reappraise his poli-

not only infuriating Moscow but cies. He sent Donald Rumsfeld of alarming the NATO allies and, probably more important, scaring Ameriof the Republicans, to case the joint in the Middle East; Mr. Rumsfeld came back arguing for a different policy toward both Syria and Israel. Jesse Jackson has also forced Mr. Reagan to consider that it may be

possible to negotiate with Damascus and talk to Israei, Jordan and even the Palestinians about a new approach to the Middle East. In addition, the French and the British are telling him that now that he has put his missiles in Western Europe, the time has come to talk again to Moscow about controlling the arms race and working for peace — not only in Lebanon but also in the Iraq-Iran war and throughout the Gulf region.

This message seems to be getting through to the White House. Mr. Reagan is listening, and compromis-ing, much to the dismay of his anticommunist supporters. They don't like his kindly reception of the Chinese premier, or his compromises in

Lebanon or Central America. But as time goes on, with an election ahead, he is clearly in a mood to compromise on both foreign and domestic issues. The president said the other day

decision for political reasons; but, like Franklin Delano Roosevelt and all other presidents since, this is what he is doing. He is in deep trouble with Moscow, in Central America and in the Middle East and Europe, and he is beginning to switch.

For the first three years of his ad-

ministration Mr. Reagan thought he could impose his policies and ideology by confrontation. But he is now talking, not about confrontation with Congress at home or with the Chinese and the Russians abroad, but about compromise and cooperation.

This infuriates not only conserva-tives but also his Democratic presidential opponents, who don't quite know how to handle him. But he changes with the wind, and with his gentler melody he now keeps the opposition off balance.

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Some Arguments Against Running

By Daniel Schorr

WASHINGTON—So, this is the draft of the announcement! It looks good. I'm really excited about running again. Before I get it put on the TelePrompTer, why don't I, just for the beck of it, run over the arguments against running?

Some things didn't work out according to the script. Yes, we beat other so-called pragmatists on the White House staff were arguing that that. A definite minus.

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unclear ones that Mr. Reagan has

described for them, U.S. marines are

taking inexcusable casualties. No vi-

tal U.S. or Israeli interests are being

served. The Russians are in close sup-

obstinacy risks confrontation with ei-

Arms control. A year ago the Unit-ed States was engaged in three sets of arms control talks with the Russians

— although none was an initiative of the Reagan administration. Now all

three have collapsed; and while it may be debatable which side was the

more intransigent, Mr. Reagan has yet to explain how his arms control

policies have increased or even main.

Now both superpowers are moving to threaten each other's home territo-

ry with medium-range missiles and

shorter warning times; relations be-

tween them have deteriorated to the

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So where are the Democrats to

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needy if we could just get the chiselers off the rolls. Ed Meese tells me all

inflation, we're beating recession, but there's the deficit. I guess it just isn't the case that you get higher revenues when you cut tax rates. The Democrats will beat me over the head on

those stories about buying vodka with food stamps and things like that. But the bleeding hearts say there are a lot of real hungry people out there —and that I did it. It's all anecdotal, of course, but the media hype it and it plays like dynamite on tele The Democrats will have a field day on that, and it's unpleasant, I'm

> ing typed that way. A real negative. Internationally, worse trouble, Nothing followed the script.
> In Central America, by now, we should have had El Salvador on its feet, the Commies out of Nicaragua and the Cubans yelling uncle. There's always Grenada. Why do people forget Grenada so fast?

not hardhearted, and I don't like be-

The Middle East - ow! President Eisenhower sends the marines into Lebanon, doesn't lose a man and comes out a hero. I send in the marines and - let's face it - I look awful Now, having said we won't turn tail and run, I'll have to turn tail or forget about running. Let's try this on for size: Who lost Lebanon?

Then, the Soviets. I was absolutely convinced that if we deployed Pershings and hung tough, the Russians would eventually talk arms control on our terms. Then I could sail into the campaign as the "Peace Through Strength" guy. Why don't the Russians play by the script? That Andropov is really sick!

pov is reany sick:
They're playing hard, and hard to
get, and I need a summit. Shultz says

the Russians know I need one and they're not about to help me. George says stand by for a rough spring and summer — the Russians will pump up some crises to make me look bad.

Things could get hairy. How do I turn that around? Suppose I stunned everybody with the announcement that I would take myself out of the race to clear the decks for peace? I know I could win, but patriotism above pride, peace above politics. My defense buildup set the stage for realistic agreement, but if it takes a new face to save face for the Russians, I'll bow out. That gallant self-denial might not play badly in the history books. I could orchestrate it a lot better than Lyndon Johnson did. Then I could coast through 1984 and exit on a high note.

Interesting idea. But I really want to run. Well, do I? This will be the Year of Terrorism. Let's face it — the bully pulpit is becoming a barricaded pulpit. How will I look surrounded by an army every time I go out campaigning? The damned media will focus on the secu-

rity and make it look as though I'm literally running scared. I'll win, of course. Everybody says I'm a shoo-in. But, an acknow shoo-in can afford to bow out. On the other hand, if I were to lose ... Too late to change my mind. They're waiting for this draft. Well, let me tell them I want another 24

hours to study it.

Daniel Schort --- who writes his own scripts as senior correspondent of the Cable News Network — contributed this fantasy to The New York Times.

Enter the second tional support they receive is impor-tant but secondary, and they could not be defeated easily if it ceased. Barrier Committee Also, the Salvadoran army is so addicted to U.S. support that it could Section of the same not defeat the guerrillas on its own. signed agrada i nesta istoriamenta in in in indi istoriamenta in in Other Contadora proposals would that he would make no foreign policy be likely to bring about outcomes the Reagan administration opposes. The Contadora countries would cut off U.S. support to anti-Sandinist forces. N2151151151151 0.00 S San Partie in Land San Sal

Let's Try

A Modest

Approach

By Jorge I. Dominguez

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts— In principle, everyone involved supports the efforts of the Contadora

countries — Colombia, Panama,

Mexico and Venezuela — to advance

peace in Central America: Presidents

Reagan and Castro, the Democrat

Party in the United States, all the

Central American governments. Yet,

as the Contadora meeting last week-end in Panama showed, the group's proposals are unlikely to be adopted

The search for peace requires a more

The Contadora proposals can seem consistent with what President Rea-

consistent with what President Reagan wants. He believes that "guernlass, armed and supported by and through Cuba, are attenuable to impose a Marxist-Leminist dictatorship on the people of El Salvador as part of a larger imperialistic plan." The Contadora group proposes that all external assistance to the Salvadoran merrilles, should stop. He helicipus

guerrillas should stop. He believes

that the Nicaraguan government re-mains in power thanks mainly to So-viet and Cuban support. Contadora

countries propose the withdrawal from Nicaragua of all foreign mili-

tary advisers and an end to the arms

flow into that country.
Thus, if Mr. Reagan is correct

about what is happening in Central America, the Contadora proposals

should bring the defeat of the Salva-

doran guerrillas and the overthrow of

In reality, however, implementing

the Contadora proposals would be

unlikely to bring about what Mr. Reagan seeks. A more sensible analy-

sis of what is happening in Nicaragua suggests that the government still en-

joys some degree of internal backing,

and that it would not fall if its inter-

national support were curtailed. The

Salvadoran guerrillas also have some real internal backing. The interna-

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thus helping to consolidate the Nicaraguan revolutionary government. They propose the withdrawal of U.S. military advisers from El Salvador and an end to U.S. military assistance to the Salvadoran army - which would make victory by the Salvadoran revolutionaries more likely.

Clearly there is not much public support in the United States for either prospect, and it is thus unlikely that any U.S. administration would accept these Contadora proposals.

There is a more modest, practical alternative: Retain the Contadora process but distinguish among the group's proposals and seek to implement only some of them right away.

Through Contadora mediation, Nicaragua and its allies and the United States and its allies would exchange verifiable pledges not to support the overthrow of any government in the region. Nicaragua's side would also agree that Soviet or Cu-

ban strategic or conventional forces would not be deployed in Nicaragia. This alternative proposal would amount to a coalition of governments against rebels. It would allow but would not guarantee the consolidation of all existing governments.

That is not the best outcome in a

region ruled largely by tyrannical regimes. But such an approach would reduce the violence and the prospect of increased involvement by outside powers. It would cut off aid for all insurgents but allow the governments of both Nicaragua and El Salvador to

continue receiving support.

Why should either side accept this deal? Because, rightly or wroagly. both sides see external support for insurgent forces as the most destabilizing factor in the region: The Units ed States and its Salvadoran allies are most disturbed and threatened by foreign leftist support for the Salvadoran guerrillas, while the Nicaraguans are threatened by outside support for anti-Sandinist fighters. Negotiations toward some peace in Central America are possible and

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tion may be the best we can hope for. The writer, professor of govern at Harvard University, contributes article to The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Mr. Reagan should realize that a

Harriman: Pro and Con Averell Harriman's contention in most dangerous level since 1962; the most dangerous level since 1962; the Western alliance may yet come apart on the issue of missiles in Europe, probably first in Belgium and the Netherlands; and Mr. Reagan still pursues a costly, ill-conceived blundely and the state of the st

his two opinion-page articles (IHT, Jan. 2 and 3) that the Reagan administration is guilty of "nuclear irresponsibility" is backed up by Mr. Reagan's dismal record in arms control. In his first three years in office the president has consistently emphasized military spending (and recently, military intervention) at the expense of diplomacy. As Mr. Harriman points out, the administration has rejected the Salt-2 treaty and failed to develop alternative policies. It has also failed to work steadily on the

his fixation on confronting Moscow?

The Democrats and the American issues of nuclear nonproliferation nation do not need and will not elect and missile verification. a mere well-known name or a collec-Concurrently it supports a huge tor of endorsements. They need a defense budget, some of which will go leader with the right stuff to stand up to wenpons systems of questionable military value. These policies, along and challenge Ronald Reagan, to make the opposition case and offer a with Mr. Reagan's simplistic remarks change. And they need that leader

about Soviet society, have produced a dangerous cold war atmosphere between the superpowers.

nuclear buildup does not increase anyone's security. If this century has taught us anything, it is that an arms race usually leads to armed hostilities. Also, the periodic buildups of the last 35 years have never given America or the Soviet Union longterm strategic superiority. The Per-shing-2 missiles in Europe will probably result in more advanced S submarines near the United States,

continue this madness? The need is to go back to the nego-tiating table with firm and intelligent proposals for compromise, reopening dialogue - not in the spirit of Munich but of serious opposition to all types of "nuclear irresponsibility."

bringing both superpowers only eight minutes away from destruction. Why

KEVIN E COWPERTHWAITE. Lugano, Switzerland.

Averell Harriman's plea for less belligerent talk and the opening of negotiations with the Soviet Union

provides added proof that some men are incapable of learning from the perience. His formula is the one inc United States followed during his time as ambassador to the South Union (1943-1946), and the notation was the delivery of Pastern Fuscing the content of the the Soviets on a silver tray. One must wonder what reward Mr. Harrings has in mind for them this time.

J.M. BRADLEY

Lecturing South Africa In response to Glenn Frankel's 1800 part report (IHT, Jan. 4 and 3) 98

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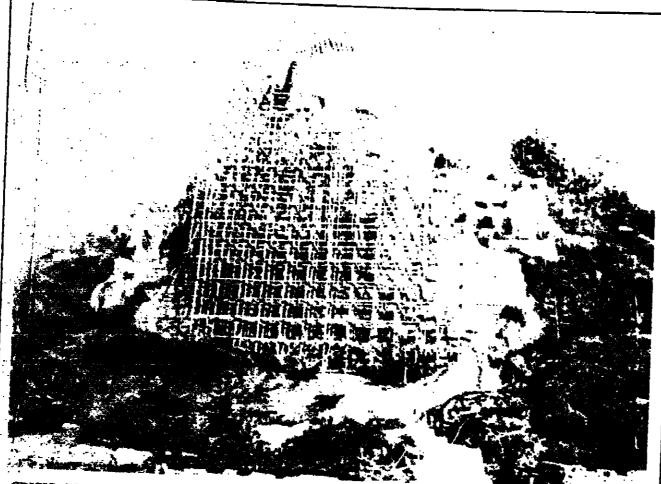
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CRISIS COMES TO A HEAD - Work on a fivestory-high bust of President Ferdinand E. Marcos of the Philippines has been stopped because of the country's economic difficulties. Perched above a golf course near

the northern town of Baguio, the monument, begun in 1979, peeks over a wooden scaffolding that has been partially rensoved. The government in Manila has made no announcement of when the bust will be completed.

U.S. News Groups Push to Cover Military Actions

By Jonathan Friendly

New York Times Service NEW YORK — Prompted by restraints on coverage of the U.S.-led invasion of Grenada, 10 major news organizations have asked the Reagan administration to affirm as a matter of principle that reporters will be allowed to cover U.S. military operations.

broadcasters, newspapers, magazines and news services, said Tuesday that they agreed there was a need to maintain military security and to protect troops.

They also said they could agree to limited restrictions, such as mili.

The Pentagon said that Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger to limited restrictions, such as mili.

The groups, representing U.S.

not excluded from combat mis-

Our society remains healthy study the issues.

Department. "Preservation of this principle is essential to the proper functioning of our constitutional democracy and to our national well-being."

The statement urged congressional hearings on the issue of press access to combat. Just after the Oct. 25 invasion, individual congressmen protested the restraints, but no formal hearings have been

tary censorship or delayed filing of the issue was in the hands of a reports, as long as journalists were special panel that the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General John M. Vessey Jr., is creating to

and free primarily because our Winant Sidle, the chairman and

of information about its govern- panel, said he welcomed the news Editors, the National Association the White House and the Defense pleased that they have said they expected to begin hearings next

> Mr. Sidle, a retired major general ho is corporate spokesman for the Martin Marietta Corp., said the formation of the panel had been slowed because none of the news organizations would agree to name a representative as a member. They say membership on a government panel is inappropriate for news organizations.

Tuesday's statement was formulated by representatives of most major associations involved in news-gathering. These are the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the American Society of Newspaper Editors, the Ameri public has an independent source only announced member of the the Associated Press Managing can Society of Magazine Editors.

ment," they said in a statement to organizations' statement and was of Broadcasters, the Radio-Television News Directors Association, would talk to his group. He said he The Associated Press, United Press International, the Reporters Commillee for Freedom of the Press, and the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi.

Military commanders, supported by Mr. Weinberger, barred reporters entirely during the first two days of the Grenada invasion and then permitted only partial access to the island for several more days. President Ronald Reagan and his top aides said they thought the practice had helped keep the operation a secret from troops defending the island and would follow it again if conditions warranted.

Bishop in China Gets 10 Years in Process

Action Is Part of a Continuing Crackdown on Catholics Loyal to Wallest

By Michael Parks

Los Angeles Times Serine BELJING - A Roman Catholic bishap has been sentenced to 10 ears in prison by the Chinese auhorities because of his contacts with the Vatican. The action is part a continuing crackdown on atholics who remain loyal to the

Bishop Joseph Fan Xueyan, 76, of Baoding, was found guilty late last year of "colluding with anti-Chinese foreign forces to jeopardize the security of the motherland," the state religious affairs bureau said Tuesday.

Bishop Fan was accused of secretly ordaining priests in Baoding, 75 miles southwest of the capital. for the underground Catholic Church that is loyal to the pope. He was also accused of maintaining clandestine contacts with the Vatican and receiving financial support

Bishop Fan's vicar general, Father He Binzhang, was also imprisoned for 10 years in what Catholic observers in Hong Kong say they believe is a renewed government attempt to kill the underground church by removing its leaders.

Bishop Fan, one of the last bishops appointed by Rome after the Communist takeover on the Chinese mainland, had been imprisoned from 1958 to 1979 for refusing to break with the Vatican when the Chinese Catholic church, at government orders, declared its independence from Rome.

He was opposed then to the Chinese church's decision on its anti-imperialist, self-governing policy and was criticized by the church and stripped of his post as bishop," a spokesman for the government's religious affairs bureau said of Bishop Fan's 1958 arrest and imprisonment.

Released from jail and reinstated in his Baoding diocese, long a center of Christian missionary activity, Bishop Fan "stubbornly refused to accept" the establishment of what China calls the "Patriotic Catholic Church," the spokesman said.

Like China's Protestant church, which has proclaimed itself to be "self-evangelizing, self-administer-ing and self-financing" and no longer missionary run, the Patriotic

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Russia Says U.S. Denies Visas to Romania

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MOSCOW — A Moscow newslarge group of malcontents wanted
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Wednesday of trying to cause trouand who were thus hostile to Re-

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Evren Vetoes Bill on Local Elections

The Assuranted Press ANKARA — General Kenan was approved last week by the leg-islature, sources in the presidential format of election heliots

palace said Wednesday. It was the first time the former military ruler had exercised his veto power since Turkey returned to civilian rule folowing elections Nov. 6. The sources said that General

Evren objected to technical details in the bill, which passed the onehouse parliament with the support of the ruling Motherland Party of

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Schluter Says Spain Lauds Crackdown He'll Stay On On Separatists in France In Denmark

COPENHAGEN - Prime Minister Poul Schluter told Queen Margrethe II on Wednesday that he would stay in office despite his failure in Tuesday's elections to gain a working majority needed to carry out economic changes.

His center-right grouping of the Conservative People's Party, Liberals, Center Democrats and the Christian Party won 42.8 percent of the vote and gained 11 seats in the 179-member Folketing. The coalition now has 76 seats.

The result sharply depressed fi-nancial markets, which had been counting on a rightist landslide.

It also left the government deendent, as before, on the parliamentary support of two small nonsocialist groups, the centrist Radical Liberals and the rightist Progress Party. The Radical Liberals have said they would support Mr. Schluter's coalition only if the Progress Party's backing was re-

Theoretically, however, support from one or two of the four members of parliament elected in Greenland and the Faroe Islands might still bring Mr. Schluter close to the necessary majority. He has support from the 10 centrist Social-Liberals in the new legislature.

Mr. Schluter called a meeting of the coalition partners to map strategy. After meeting with the queen. he said he did not expect to make a major cabinet changes immediate-

The most pressing task facing the ernment is to secure passage of 1984 budget. The rejection of the budget last month prompted Mr. Schluter to call the elections.

The prime minister said he would seek talks with all of Denmark's main parties in the next few days. He added that he would pursue efforts to adopt an austerity budget, although he did not rule out making concessions to the op-DOSITION.

The opposition Social Democrats lost two seats, fewer than predicted. With 57 seats, it will remain the largest party. Mr. Schlueter's time as ambassador to the P. Conservatives won 42 seats, 2 gain Union (1943-1946), and fact of 16

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MADRID - The crackdown by of France. refugees considered to be extremists was welcomed Wednesday in Madrid as a sign of new resolve by France to help Spain in its light against separatist guerrillas.

French police rounded up at least 14 Spanish refugees Tuesday in a dragnet across the French Basque region. Six of the men were later flown to the French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe and six others were moved to northern France under a form of house ar-

Both opposition and government politicians here said the move indicated that France had finally accepted the Spanish government's contention that Basque separatist guerrillas could only be defeated if they were deprived of sanctuary across the border in France.

"It was about time," said Guillermo Galeote, a spokesman for Spain's ruling Socialist Party. "Let's hope that the French police keep it up."

One well-informed Basque source said: "They have obviously taken a new look at the refugee Basque nationalist politicians.

however, reacted angrily to the French move and said they thought it would solve nothing. Demonstrators in Renteria blocked the main highway between Madrid and the border town of Irun several times Tuesday night in

protest against the French action, the police said. The Spanish police said that many of the arrested men were key figures in the Basque guerrilla organization, ETA, which is fighting Spain for an independent state. ETA is the Basque-language acro-

nym for Basque Homeland and Spanish security sources said that the French police had intended to apprehend a total of 40 Basque separatists but that some were not at home because they had been alerted to the crackdown or were in hiding following the reappearance in France of squads stalking and killing ETA members.

Government sources in Madrid linked the French crackdown to the meeting last month between Prime Reuters, AP Minister Felipe González of Spain

and President François Mitterrand

ABC, usually a vociferous opponent of the government, said the French move was a victory for Mr. González that could mark the beginning of the end for ETA.

French officials in Madrid said the threat of more killings by GAL had also weighed heavily in the decision to move the Spanish Basques out of southern France.

They said the operation was planned in secret with the cooperation of the Spanish government, French Arrest 5 Basques

The French police arrested five suspected members of the French Basque separatist organization Iparretarak late Tuesday as they were taking journalists to a clandestine press conference, The Associated Press reported in Bayonne, **France.**

The seven journalists were held for questioning for about four hours before being released. _Those arrested included Xan

Coscarat, former leader of Seaska, an organization that runs Basque language private schools, and Betti Bidart, the brother of a man sought after terrorist attacks that killed two riot police and a gendarme,

Judge in De Lorean Case Orders U.S.-British Files

LOS ANGELES - The judge in the John Z. De Lorean drug case has ordered federal agencies, including the FBI, State and Justice departments, to turn over all related documents showing contacts between the U.S. and British govern-A Superior Court judge, Robert

Takasugi, Tuesday told the agencies to comply with a subpoena and surrender documents relating to Mr. De Lorean by Jan. 26. The judge said he would then decide what material, if any, should be given to Mr. De Lorean's attorneys. Mr. De Lorean, 59, is scheduled to stand trial March 6 on charges of conspiring to sell \$24 million in cocaine to save his failing sports car company in Northern Ireland.

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By William J. Broad

New York Times Service THE quiet revolution in the 1 navigation of planes, submarines, spacecraft and missiles is picking up speed as internal guidance systems become smaller. cheaper, more versatile and more accurate, according to industry experts and scientists working in the field.

For a quarter of a century these "black boxes" have guided airborne objects with increasing precision. They have sensed, remembered and computed every movement, however slight, constantly checking actual motion against flight plans. The stakes have been high. In the Apollo program, even tiny errors in navigation would have sent the spacecraft far off course in its quarter-millionmile journey between the Earth and

The heart of a guidance system used to be, and sometimes still is, a spinning gyroscope. But new technologies such as lasers and powerful computer chips are transforming the science of guidance. The Pentagon's new anti-satellite warhead, which rotates at 20 revolutions a second for stability, is guided to its target by a tiny internal ring of laser light that sorts out and defines the welter of motions as the weapon spins through space.

Technical advances have not eliminated failure, as was demonstrated in December when one of three identical guidance systems on the space shuttle Columbia broke down. And, though human error is the prime suspect in the course deviation of the South Korean jetliner shot down over the Soviet Union in September, guidance system failure has not been ruled out.

But experts say ruggedness and precision are increasing as electronic circuits replace mechanical parts. "I don't think the possibilities in terms of accuracy have been completely developed at all," said Dr. Charles Stark Draper, founder of a laboratory in Cambridge, Massachusetts, that bears his name and employs 2.000 people. "A lot of people have introduced a lot of new deas. The kind of performance you're going to get will depend on the effort."

Not just a technical issue, the evolution of guidance systems is sometimes seen in a political light. In November the city of Cambridge voted on whether to ban research related to nuclear weapons, the primary issue being the Draper Laboratory, which designs guidance systems for many U.S.

CIRCUMSTANCES far less controversial than those of the nuclear era prompted the initial quest for precise guidance. In the late face." 1920s, airplane pilots sought a way

perfectly balanced.

of learning their whereabouts while weigh less than the old gimbal sys-flying at night or in a cloud bank. At the time there were no radio president of Northrop Corp., direction finders.

The solution was to rely on iner- the military. tia — the little tug a person feels At Litton Industries, one of the once set spinning. Its stability al-

uid so quick accelerations would not throw it out of whack. The entation. prototype weighed two tons, but the system was later scaled down. On its first flight, it guided an aircraft 500 miles (800 kilometers) to

within a mile of its destination. Two decades later, Dr. Draper's laboratory, an offshoot of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, made the system that guided the Apollo capsule to a splashdown in the Pacific a quarter of a mile from a recovery ship. "It got to the point that they told the ships not to go to the exact spot so they wouldn't get hit," Dr. Draper says.

Today the cutting edge of guid-ance development is occupied by the laser gyro. Rather than relying on the forces of inertia, it measures changes in counterrotating beams of laser light that flash around in a tight circle. If the laser gyro turns a bit, one beam of light will travel slightly farther around the ring in a given instant of time, the other slightly less far. Differences in the time it takes the laser beams to travel around the ring add up to a precise measurement of the gyro's

The advantages of laser gyros are numerous, according to scientists at Honeywell Inc., which makes ring laser gyros used on the Boeing 737, 757 and 767 jetliners. A conventional mechanical gyro works in dramatically different ways at different temperatures and takes some time to reach a stable speed. Laser beams, on the other hand, always travel at the speed of light.

About the size of a standard hard-cover book, a ring laser gyro also does away with the complicated system of mechanical gimbals that suspend conventional gyros and allow the gyros to remain level whatever maneuvers the vehicle might perform. Laser gyros can be strapped down to any handy sur-

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whenever a car accelerates, for ex- world's largest producers of inertial ample, or turns a corner. Newton's navigation systems, Joseph F. Califirst law of motion states that a giuri, a vice president, said the laser mass, once set in motion, tends to gyro might eventually be "tranremain in motion, unless acted on scended by newly emerging techby an external force. In concert nologies, such as liber optics, an with this law, a gyroscope tends to even more advanced application of keep its initial plane of rotation light energy to inertial navigation.

The current king of accuracy. lows sensitive measuring devices however, is an esoteric creation for around it to record changes in di- the military known as the electrically suspended gyro. At its heart is In 1948, Dr. Draper, working for a hollow beryllium sphere, which the U.S. Air Force, combined gyros has reference marks on its surface with simple computers and devices and is suspended in a magnetic known as accelerometers, which cradle, Nothing touches it. Even air sense changes in speed, to form the is removed from the housing in first true inertial guidance system, order to reduce friction. As the An important advance was that the sphere spins, a beam of light is gyro was "floated" in a viscous liq-bounced off its reference marks and thus measures changes of ori-

> gyro is the navigational brains behind the new generation of U.S. missiles, the land-based MX and sea-based Trident. Older missiles use mechanical gyros suspended on gimbals. Published accounts say the MX can send warheads to within a few hundred feet of its targets. Such precision will probably in-

every seven years. "The improvement may slow somewhat as room for improvement narrows," he said, "but there's little reason to expect the pattern will be fundamentally different in coming years."

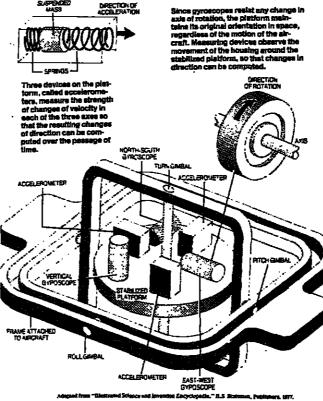
For instance, strides will continue to be made in the realm of electronics, military experts say. Increased logic, memory and computational ability in very small spaces allow a missile to obtain finer readings from guidance instruments, to process them in a more complex manner and to send more sophisticated directions to control systems. Moreover, tiny chips allow greater use of redundant circuits to perform backup calculations and to take over if other systems fail.

Robert A. Duffy, president of the Draper Laboratory, said the accuracy of all guidance systems would increase, both in military and commercial areas. "There's no question. You can

see these systems appearing on the more expensive executive aircraft," he said. "My own feeling is that we've not yet begun to see where it's all going to go. There's a lot more ahead. And whatever trends you see in the commercial area you can be sure are being led by the crease. According to Dr. Kosta Tsi-military."

The Principle of Inertial Guidance

is gyroscopic guidance system is a platform suspended on rotating joints, whats, in such a way that it is free to move about all three axes. At the ning of a journey, the platform is placed in an upright position and alligned of the north. Longitude and lettitude figures are led into its computer, and attorn is stabilized in that position by three gyroscopes set perpendicular



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Opossums Show a Memory for Toxic Mushrooms

By Bayard Webster New York Times Service

HE young opossum sniffed warily at the mushroom that had been placed in front of him. Opossums love mushrooms, and the animal quickly chewed and swallowed the fungus, which. though not fatally toxic, contained a small amount of naturally occurring muscimol, a noxious chemical.

Moments later the opossum rid itself of the mushroom by spitting it up, making a wry face at the same time. And as long as many months later, when the opossum was confronted with the same species of mushroom that had made him sick. he associated the smell with the previous discomfort and, though hungry, refused to touch it. Similar tests with other species of hallucinogenic or slightly toxic mushrooms achieved the same results.

The experiments, conducted recently by Dr. Scott Camazine a former research associate in the Section of Neurobiology and Behavior at Cornell University, revealed a number of new findings. including the following:

"They're cheaper, smaller and . • The tests are believed to pro-

ly occurring hallucinogens and tox- fect animals. ins may help protect mushrooms from predators that threaten to consume them. Many plant species have already been found to contain or exude chemicals that create a taste aversion in predators, or repel them, but that ability had not been

found in fungi.

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strated that opossums could remember their aversion to a specific pleasant results as long as a year after their only previous encounter with it.

Dr. Camazine, using 18 species • The research showed that some of mushrooms common in the mushroom compounds, thought to northeastern United States, found

Citrus Oil May Become an Insecticide

New York Times Service

New YORK — In a cage full of houseflies, scientists placed an orange. Nothing happened as the flies buzzed happily around the fruit. The scientists then removed the fruit, scratched its skin and returned it to the cage. Within 15 minutes the flies were acting strangely and two hours later they were all dead.

The experiment (and others using different insect pests), conducted by University of Georgia entomologists, revealed that the oil in orange peels shows promise of being a powerful all-purpose insecticide. A variety of tests have already demonstrated that the orange oil can wipe out fire ants zine also reasons that some mushand wasps and kill fleas on a cat, yet it does not harm people, animals or the environment, the scientists say.

"We haven't tested the citrus oil on agricultural pests such as boll "We haven't tested the citrus oil on agricultural pests such as boll imals by evolving noxious com-weevils yet," said Dr. Max Bass, head of the entomology department at the university's experiment station. "But right now, it looks like we might as tastes, odors or colors, that help have a potent insecticide against household pests, and one that also smells their would-be predators learn to

that Agaricus bisporus was one of the opossums' favorites. He com-• The experiments also demon- pared the animals' response to Agaricus bisporus with their reactions to several more toxic fungi. food substance that had caused un- and found that they acquired longlasting aversions to the noxious species after only one or two samplings.

> Because opossums forage at night and cannot see the mushrooms well, and because the animals do not feel or taste the fungi before accepting or rejecting them. Dr. Camazine reasons that they distinguish toxic from edible mushrooms by smell.

The researcher's findings, published in the current issue of the Journal of Chemical Ecology, note that opossums eat a variety of plant life and undoubtedly evolved their aversion-learning ability to protect them from toxic foods. Dr. Camarooms, in turn, may have adapted to survive among fungus-eating an-

Siberian Artifacts Linked to America

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Soviet archaeologists have discovered convincing new evidence that the first inhabitants of North America came from Siberia, according to Tass. The news agency said beads, charms and arrowheads discovered on the

Kamchatka peninsula in the Soviet northeast were virtually identical to artifacts found in Washington state, but considerably older Scientists believe the similarities are evidence that American Indians migrated to North America across an isthmus linking Siberia and Alaska Tass said. The Stone Age site under excavation in Kamchatka is the largest Paleolithic dwelling area discovered by Soviet archaeologists. Tass said it was more than 11,000 years old and covered more than 10,000 square

meters (12,000 square yards). New Fiber Gives Amputees a Better Fit NEW YORK (UPI) — A substance developed for aeronantes and the space program, carbon fiber, has helped scientists produce a greatly improved, more comfortable and more flexible device to hold artificial

legs in place.

The extraordinary strength of carbon fiber allows most of the socket into which an amputee inserts an artificial leg to be made of a flexible

plastic instead of the rigid materials now in use. Such sleeves distribute the weight of the wearer through the artificial leg the way a normal leg would. They also cover the spot where the artificial leg joins the wearer's. The new device is available only for people whose legs have been removed above the knee, but funds are being sought for development of a similar system for below-the-knee amoutees.

Telescope Discovered a Teeming Sky

TUCSON, Arizona (AP) — An orbiting telescope that used infrared light to scan space discovered 200,000 new stars and about 20,000 new galaxies before going blind last year. "We didn't dream the sky would be so rich and complex as it has turned out to be," said Nancy Boggess of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Scientists will be busy with data collected by the Infrared Astronomical Satellite, or IRAS, for 'years and years and years,' said David Black of NASA's Ames Research Center in Mountain View, California. "The mission exceeded all reasonable expectations and met even some optimistic ones.

The NASA report was made during a four-day conference sponsored by the University of Arizona. The \$80-million IRAS, a joint project of the United States, Britain and the Netherlands, was put in orbit in January 1983. It was the first telescope to survey deep space using infrared waves,

Drought Foreseen in Sea Temperature.

SYDNEY (UPI) - An Australian meteorologist says he has developed a method of predicting a failure of the annual monsoon rains on the Indian subcontinent that would give farmers and the government five months to prepare for the event.

Dr. Neville Nicholls said his system predicted whether the rains would arrive by measuring changes in sea surface temperatures in the Indian Ocean north of Australia, near Indonesia. He said past rainfall and temperature patterns indicated that a cooler than average sea around Indonesia would be followed four to five months later by a dry monsoon

Dr. Nicholls, who published his results in this month's edition of the journal Nature, has spent five years working on drought prediction. He said sea temperature gives the first clue that the Southern Hemisphere is about to enter the disruptive El Niño climate cycle, which has been linked with droughts in Africa, Australia and India, and heavy rains in the

Eruptions May Show Continental Drift

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (UPI) - Volcanic-like eruptions in the Soviet Arctic — the first ever verified — could help explain how the continents of Asia and North America drift, scientists say.

The eruptions on or near Bennett Island, 1,000 miles (about, 1,600 kilometers) northwest of Barrow, Alaska, were first spotted by a weather

satellite. It was the northernmost volcanic activity ever detected and the first documented in the Arctic Ocean, the scientists said.

Although some scientists at the Geophysical Institute at the University of Alaska tentatively identify the phenomena as volcanic, others are not so sure. Glenn Shaw, a scientist at the institute, said: "The one thing that makes it so puzzling is there is no doubt at all that enormous amounts of energy are being released."



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Social Groups in U.S. **Attack Hunger Report**

By Spencer Rich

WASHINGTON - Forty-two national organizations have issued a statement on the final report of President Ronald Reagan's special study group on hunger saying its recommendations, "on balance, would make this tragic problem

The organizations included 20 religious groups as well as organizations representing the aged, chil-dren, poor, blacks and Hispanics.

Their statement Tuesday said the proposal of the Task Force on Food Assistance for an optional block grant to states that wish to take over the U.S. food program would be "nothing short of a disas-ter for the nation's poor" and a J. Dole, Republican of Kansas, and retreat from the commitment to end hunger in America.

Meanwhile, Mr. Reagan was

briefed on the task force report at the White House. After a threemonth study, the group concluded Monday that, while "hunger does persist" in the United States, "allegations of rampant hunger simply cannot be documented."

"There are people who must ometimes cut back on food to pay their rent and utility bills," the re-port said. "There are individuals and families who, toward the end of the month, face very tight bud-gets and cannot buy food."

In addition to the block-grant proposal, the task force recom-mended improvements in the pro-

Czech Playwright Defects to West

VIENNA - iva Prochaska, a Czechoslovak playwright, has de-fected to the West and asked for political asylum in Austria, émigré sources said.

In a television interview shown in West Germany on Tuesday night, Miss Prochaska, who is the daughter of the dissident writer Jan Prochaska, said she intended to stay in the West.

She said she had been prevented from having her work published or performed in Czechoslovakia, but one of her plays, "The Last Life of All." was performed for the first time in the Bohemian city of Eger after she had already defected. Emigré sources said that the playwright; her husband. Ivo Pokorny, and their two small children arrived in Vienna about five days

gram and larger penalties for states where food-stamp overpayments exceed 5 percent.

Mr. Reagan said Tuesday that he had "directed the members of our administration to examine closely the recommendations of this report and to determine what can be done to incorporate them in our poli-

He said that "by reminding us that, in this land of plenty, there can be no excuse for hunger," the task force had presented the country with a challenge.

We will meet that challenge

through public and private resources, and we will do so with intelligence, prudence and compassion," he said.

Representative Leon E. Panetta, Democrat of California, announced that there subcommittees on nutrition would hold hearings Jan. 26 to consider the recomdations.

Senator Dole reiterated that he had reservations about the block-grant concept. Mr. Panetta said he found the task force's conclusions "disappointing" because they failed to acknowledge that the hunger problem was "worse than at any time in recent memory."

The chairman of the House Agri culture Committee, E (Kika) de la Garza. Democrat of Texas, said: There is not likely to be much support for the idea of folding all these programs into a block grant for the states." He added: "What we fear is that

the approach can be used so easily" as a "step toward phasing down or eliminating many efforts to help those who are really needy, including the working poor."

Task force aides estimated that

benefits would increase by about \$550 million in the first year due to the panel's proposed increase of food stamps available to recipients to 100 percent of the value of a "thrifty" food plan, an increase in assets a household may have and still receive food stamps, and aid to

They also estimated that new penalties for errors of more than 5 percent would cut outlays to the states by \$120 million to \$240 million, leaving a net increase in foodprogram outlays of at least \$300

However, Robert Greenstein. administrator of the Food and Nutrition Service in the Carter administration, said the first-year increase would amount to only about \$330 million and that the increase for later years would be only \$170



FINNS PROTEST — Demonstrators marched Tuesday at the presidential palace in Helsinki to denounce the imprisonment of a conscientious objector. The human rights organization Amnesty International called the jailed man Finland's first "prisoner of conscience."

U.S. Court to Review Group's Bar on Women

By Jim Mann Las Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON - In a case that might affect some of the major U.S. social organizations, the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to decide whether the Jaycees have the constitutional right to exclude women from full membership.

The court's ruling could determine the outcome of similar disputes involving such groups as the Boy Scouts of America and Rotary Clubs. The legal issue involved is whether the First Amendment guarantee of free association protects the groups from being re-quired to abide by state laws on civil rights or public accommoda-

The justices decided Monday to hear the case. It comes from Minnesota, where officials charged the Jayoces, formerly the Junior Chamber of Commerce, with violating a state law requiring that organiza-tions open to the general public must not discriminate on the basis

Jaycees chapters in Minneapolis and St. Paul began admitting women a decade ago, but the national organization moved to revoke the charters of these chapters.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of

state officials from requiring the Jaycees to admit women.
Noting that the basic purpose of

the Jaycees has been to serve young men, the court said. "It is natural to expect that an association containing both men and women will not be so single-minded about advance ing men's interests as an association of men only."

When Minnesota officials appealed the 8th Circuit ruling to the Supreme Court, they were supported by a coalition of feminist groups. Those groups contended that women should not be denied access to organizations that serve as a "traditional avenue of economic and political opportunity and

Women are allowed to particis pate in the Jaycees only as nonvoling "associate members."

The Minnesota attorney general; Hubert H. Humphrey 3d, contended in court that the Jayrees' policy "helps to perpetuate the myth that women are inferior and tamishes." the promise of the state to its citzens that they will be free from discrimination."

But lawyers for the Jaycees atgued that the admission of women would destroy the organization's historic purpose of "serving young men." They maintained that wom-Appeals in St. Louis ruled last June en could be given leadership transthat the First Amendment hars ing through other groups:

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By EDWARD ROHRBACH

Institutional Investors' Role in Rally To Kuwait Makes Salomon's Birinyi Skeptical

The recent stock market surge has been led by "smart money" big instinuional investors — a unique phenomenon since the initial charge of the bull market 15 months ago, according to Salomon Brothers' Laszio Birinyi Jr. And that's what makes him skeptical. "Individual investors had been first out of the chute taking advantage

the market's four rallies since then," he points out. The fact that institutions are in the vanguard now makes the rally suspect. They've been wrong throughout most of the ball market. When disclose the terms of the transacter stocks going to correct? That's been their dialogue since the first tion, but Alvin Silber, an analyst at

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Salomon official says.

Mr. Birinyi, vice president of equity-market analysis at the firm, calculates investment money flows in and out of New York Stock Exchange issuers by monitoring every Big Board trade of more than 100 shares. On a 100-million-share day, about 60,000 trades are

Optimism began dominating institutional thinking a week ago, he says, shown by "aggressive big-

block buying at a premium over the last trade."

He says natural-resource companies are the focus of institutional attention, plus "Smokestack America" issues, such as steels — the type of stock that will benefit from a continued economic recovery. "This is a rally that came out of nowhere," he adds, "No clues before it happened and none I can see now even in retrospect."

First a Rise, Then Boredom

Mr. Birinyi says he "wouldn't be surprised" to see the market climb to 1,320 or 1,330 on the Dow industrial average. "But then I believe it will back down again under 1,300 and bore us for a long time," he adds.

Value Line, an advisory service, notes in its current Investment Survey that trading activity by institutional investment managers can have significant impact on the direction of the whole stock market. But it points out that "beavy institutional interest does not necessarily correlate

with advancing stock prices" for individual issues. Heading the list of institutional favorites during the 1983 third quarter, according to filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, were Diamond Shamrock, National Semiconductor and Esmark. For example, the percentage of National Semiconductor shares outstanding held by institutional investors climbed from 52.4 percent as of March 31 to 83.5

"Despite the relatively large influx of cash into these companies during the third quarter, the share prices showed little change," Value Line says.

National Semiconductor's price, in fact, was the same on July 1 as Sept. 30. Esmark's was only 3.5 percent higher, and Diamond Shannrock's was up 11 percent.

Value Line Optimistic

Value Line reports that institutions — banks, insurance companies, investment companies and advisers, mutual and pension fund managers, for example - are widely believed to account for well over half of daily ime on the NYSE.

Value Line's 1984 forecast is that stocks on average for the year will trade at about 1,390, as measured by the Dow Jones industrials. Within the next three to five years, Value Line sees stocks "well over" 2,000.

Robert Prechter, publisher of the Elliott Wave Theorist in Gainsville, Georgia, has advised subscribers to jump back into a fully-invested

position in stocks. Last Sept. 22, the long complex cycles he follows had prompted Mr. Prechter out of the market completely. But now he sees Wall Street tracing out a "clear symmetrical triangle pattern" as of Jan. 4 that should keep the Dow from falling below 1,200 and should carry the average to

"A thrust following a triangle is usually short and sharp," he says. "But it should be very profitable, with an increase in breadth for the first time

it back at a lower price.

Mr. LeFevre says: "These shorts must have believed Doctors Doom and Gloom (two economists, Henry Kaufman of Salomon Brothers and Albert. Wojnilower of First Boston) when they said interest rates were going to go higher. Thus, some of the recent huge volume on rising prices may have been the amateur shorts acrambling to cover - at, unfortunate-

ly for them, higher prices."

Stan Weinstein, editor of the Professional Tape Reader, sees the trend of stocks at its "most hopeful" in seven months and thinks that only a

"few more pieces still have to fall into place" for the market's intermediate picture to become bullish again.

New stocks he is recommending are Advanced Micro Devices, Aluminum Co. of America, Armoo, Carpenter Technology, Caterpillar Tractor, Comair, Copperweld, Cyclopae GCA, KLA Instruments, Nucor, People Express, Tandem Computers, Teledyne and Teradyne.

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WALL STREET WATCH Gulf to Sell **Italy Units**

By Bob Hagerry

LONDON - Kuwait Petroleum Corp. announced Wednesday that it had agreed in principle to buy Gulf Oil Corp.'s refining and marketing operations in Italy.

The two companies declined to tion, but Alvin Silber, an analyst at Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in New York, estimated that the operations have a book value of \$150 million to \$200 million, excluding inventories and receivables.

The move means that KPC is nearly doubling its network of gas-oline stations in Europe at a time when other oil companies are re-

trenching.
Early last year, state-owned
KPC bought Gulf's refining and can see in retrospect,' a marketing operations in Denmark. Sweden and the Benelux countries. With those purchases, Kuwait became the first member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to set up an international network of refineries and gasoline

In Italy, the main attraction for KPC appears to be Gulf's 1,400 gasoline stations, currently supply-ing about 3.5 percent of the Italian soline market.

The planned sale also would include a 75 percent interest in an outmoded refinery at Bertonico, Italy. The refinery, 25-percent-owned by Mobil Corp., has been closed since mid-1982, reflecting the severe overcapacity that has pushed most European refiners into the red in the past few years. In addition, the planned sale includes Gulf's aviation-fuel business

The transaction would bring Gulf near completion of its plan to pull out of European marketing and refining. The only remaining operations on sale would be 450 British gasoline stations and a refining operation at Milford Haven,

By becoming a major force in European marketing of oil prodoutlet for its vast reserves of crude oil. At the same time, Kuwait has said it plans to double the capacity of its three refineries at home to about 700,000 barrels a day. Some not lease the offshore areas until he of the products refined in Kuwait are likely to find their way into KPC's European network.



Peter North Miller, left, and Ian Hay Davison stand above Lloyd's busy trading floor.

New Chairman, Executive Officer Brace for Sweeping Lloyd's Reforms

By Barnaby J. Feder New York Times Service

LONDON - Peter North Miller, the diminutive loyd's of London broker who took over as chairman of the famous insurance exchange last week, freited a bit when invited to pose for a photograph with lanky

Ian Hay Davison, Lloyd's chief executive. "Just don't make any comments about the long and the short of it," he said, managing only half a smile. It is not the substantial height difference itself that concerns Mr. Miller. He has good reason to be wary of

scenes that suggest stark differences between the two

men, or that Mr. Davison has greater stature at

Mr. Davison's job of chief executive was created a year ago at the insistence of the British government, which wanted an outsider brought in to help Lloyd's recover from several scandals that have rocked the three-centuries-old exchange in recent years, and to

The sensor partner at the British branch of Arthur Andersen & Co. and probably the nation's best-known accountant. Mr. Davison, 53, was recruited to

(Continued on Page 9, Col.3)

Nigeria Places **Stringent Curbs** On Exchange

gent foreign-exchange controls, banking sources reported Wednes-

day.

They said the new regulations bank and merchant banks. The banks were told that they would be in tions of available foreign currency control of foreign-exchange allocated to each priority can tions under central bank direction. Raw materials will head the new

list of priorities for foreign-exchange disbursement, followed by spare parts, food, medical equipment, books, capital goods and then other consumer goods, the sources said.

The sources said the order of priorities should be good news for ligerian industry, which has been hard hit during the last 18 months by shortages of raw materials and spare parts.

The new military head of state. government of President Shehu agari Dec. 31, had indicated earlier that actions would be taken to

LAGOS - Nigeria's new mili- allowance for individuals from 500 tary government has imposed strin-naira to 100 naira (\$376 to \$75). The sources said the officials

told them that each bank will be day.

They said the new regulations given a monthly foreign-exchange allocation based on their average disbursements over the last five officials Tuesday to commercial years. These will be made known next week along with the propor-

The officials said the maximum penalty for violation of the allocations would be removal of a bank's banking licence.

Banking sources also reported Wednesday that Nigeria's govern-ment has decided to delay talks due to start in Washington on Monday with the International Monetary Fund on a loan of more than S

The government decided to delay the talks until a new cabinet had been appointed and the new Major General Mohammed Bu- finance minister had settled into hari, who overthrew the civilian his job, the sources said. No new date was set for the talks.

Official sources said they expected the cabinet to be announced by the end of this week. General Bu-The central bank officials an- hari said last week his government nounced a suspension of foreign-would go ahead with the loan talks currency allowances for business started by Mr. Shagari.

Reagan Wins a Court Ruling on California Offshore Oil

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Supreme Court, in an important Tuesday that the sale of the leases gave the Reagan administration a state plan. freer hand Tuesday in leasing tracts off the California coast for oil ex- her opinion for the court, said

In a 5-4 ruling, the court overinterior secretary at the time, had ucts. Kuwait is ensuring itself of an acted illegally in leasing 29 offshore tracts to oil companies.

Circuit Court of Appeals in San before full exploration or develop-Francisco said that Mr. Watt could ment may begin." determined that the sale is consistent "to the maximum extent practicable" with California's plan for - Circuit ruling "invites chaos for the fornia.

management of its coastal zone, activities of the federal government But the Supreme Court said as a whole."

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, in leases on outer continental shelf "involve submerged lands outside turned a 1982 appeals-court decision that James G. Watt, who was

She also said that the lease authorizes companies "to engage only in preliminary exploration. Further In that 1982 ruling, the 9th U.S. administrative approval is required

ment may begin."
The ruling was viewed as a major victory for the administration, which had contended that the 9th

The Justice Department had arruling relating to the environment, is exempt from review under the gued that the appeals court deci-

> may have on the environment. The state of California, local governments and environmental groups opposed the administration They contended that once the

tween a direct and indirect" impact

that the leasing of offshore land

leases are approved it is too late, as ter course is to postpone review a practical matter, to control explo-until the two later stages" involving ration and development that might damage coastal areas.

At issue are 29 tracts, worth hundreds of millions of dollars, in the John Paul Stevens said the court Santa Maria Basin off central Cali- misread the intent of the federal -- law-

Mrs. O'Connor took note of the argument by environmentalists that the sale of a lease "may genersion "obliterated the difference be- al exploration, development and production inevitable.

But she said that Congress, in enacting a 1978 law to protect coastal zones, intended that a detailed examination of the potential effects of exploration be postponed until after the leases are sold. "Congress decided that the bet-

exploration and production, Mrs. O'Connor said.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice

Requiring a review of the environmental impact of the leases before they are sold is "consistent with [the law's] underlying purpose," he said. He was joined by Justices William J. Brennan, Thurgood Marshall and Harry A. Black-

Joining Mrs. O'Connor in the najority were Chief Justice Warren E. Burger and Justices Byron R. White. Lewis F. Powell and Wilham H. Rehnquist.

Mr. Watt's five-year offshore leasing program, which set a goal of offering virtually the entire U.S. coastline for lease by 1987, has been criticized by states, environmentalists and members of Congress for opening up too much off-

Warner Fights Challenge Purcell Graham's William LeFevre thanks "amateur shorts" (as opposed to "professional" specialists and floor traders) for some of the market's recent rise. Shorting means selling a stock in the hope of buying By Murdoch With Suit

NEW YORK - Warner Communications Inc. said Wednesday that it had filed suit in a federal court in Delaware to stop Rupert violating Murdoch, the Australian publishties laws.

ing magnate, from purchasing more of its shares. Mr. Murdoch vowed Tuesday to carry his fight for control of the giant communications, entertain- specified relief. through courts and regulatory he was interested in the company agencies in the United States and to organize a prove fight of to organize a proxy fight if neces-

He owns 7 percent of Warner and has said he wants to buy more. Mr. Murdoch has already asked the Inc. 19 percent of Warner stock in

exchange for a share of a Chris-Craft television subsidiary. Wall Street analysts said they

viewed the Chris-Craft transaction as an attempt by Warner management to ensure that Mr. Murdoch suitor to rescue it from its problems did not take over the company. did not take over the company.

Mr. Murdoch has filed a suit in a

with Mr. Murdoch.

A Warner spokesman said: "We

stop the Chris-Craft transaction. Warner's suit, filed Tuesday, is a counter measure charging Mr Murdoch and his associates with violating federal and state securi-The Warner suit asks the court to

enjoin Mr. Murdoch from making further purchases of Warner shares. It also asks for other, un-

Bros. film company subsidiary. "To build a great media company, it would be a magnificent asset to have a major film studio," he said. Warner earned almost \$260 million in 1982 on sales of nearly \$4 Federal Communications Commis- lion in 1982 on sales of nearly \$4 sion to stop a transaction that billion, but fell on hard times last would give Chris-Craft Industries year when its Atari home-computer and video-games company ran into trouble. Warner had a \$122.4-mil-

lion loss in the first nine months of Warner denied reports that it was looking for a "white knight"

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N.Y. Stocks Drift Lower As Trading Slows Down

NEW YORK - The New York ing and declining has been pretty Stock Exchange was drifting lower good despite the drop in the aver late Wednesday afternoon in moderate trading as Wall Street paused is going to rally soon." from its New Year's rally following three unsuccessful attempts to es-

tablish new highs. The Dow Jones industrial aver-ge, which fell 7.74 Tuesday, was off 3.14 to 1,275,34 an hour before the close. The Dow, which had gained 28 points last week, failed to push through its Nov. 29 record close of 1,287,20 the previous three

Declines led advances 878-663 among the 1,973 issues traded. The five-hour Big Board volume was about 77.4 million shares, down from the 92.9 million in the

live sessions averaged about 110 million shares. Analysts said they were not surprised that the market retreated in

erage daily volume in the previous

ages. That's why I think the market On the trading floor, Texaco was one of the most actives issues fol-

lowing a block of 1 million shares at 38. Getty Oil, which has agreed to merge with Texaco for \$9.9 billion, was higher in active trading. Reports said Texaco would sell most of Getty's nonoil assets once the \$9.9-billion merger is complet-

American Broadcasting was higher, Reports said ABC probably would buy Getty's 70 percent interest in the Entertainment and Sports Program Network, a cable system, corresponding period Tuesday. Avif Texaco unloaded it.

> other drug issues faltered in profit American Telephone & Tele

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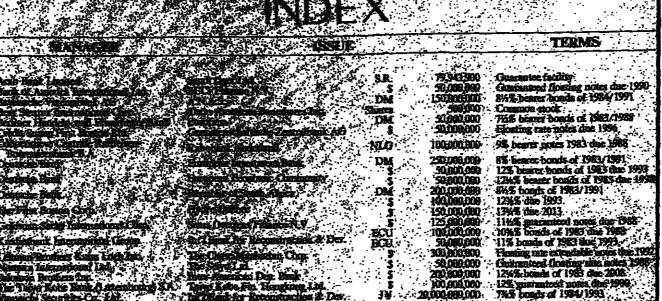
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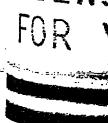
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Japanese Government Plans to Cut Personal Income Tax by \$3 Billion

T(a, (exist))—The Japanese government presented a plan Wednesday to relate personal-income taxes by 700 billion yen (53 billion) in the fiscal year starting April 1.

The government plans to offset the lost tax revenue by raising indirect taxes and adding new ones. The tax reduction, which would be retroactive to Jan. 1, must be approved by the raining Liberal-Democratic Party. The plan also calls for lowering the maximum taxation rate on income to 70 percent from the current 75 percent.

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PARIS (AP) — Remark, the state-owned automaker, estimated that 1983 group volume, including revenue frrom financial units, rose about 5 percent, to about 109 billion French francs. (About \$12.6 billion at CUITCHI TRIES).

Renault also said it had record export sales in 1983, including a 165 percent sales sport in the United States. Exports in 1983 rose 15 percent, to 1,160,000 vehicles, including

1,073,000 cars. That surpassed the previous record of 1,101,371 vehicles Remand said 180,000 cars were sold in the United States, now its main foreign market. The company owns 46 percent of American Motors Corp., which makes and sells Renault Alliance cars in the United States

AT&T, Amexco to Offer New Service

and also imports and sells other Renault cars.

NEW YORK (AP) - American Telephone & Telegraph Co. announced an agreement Wednesday that will allow holders of American Express Co. cards to charge calls placed on AT&T's new "card caller" public telephones. The financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

There are about 16 million American Express cardholders and call charges will appear on their monthly American Express bill. AT&T had announced late last year that it would install as many as 5,000 of the new phones in 1984. The phones also accept AT&T charge cards but do not accept coins. Local, long distance and international calls can be placed on the phones.

U.K. Producer Prices Increase 0.4%

LONDON (Reuters) -- British producer prices rose a provisional 0.4 percent in December, the same gain as November, the Department of Trade and Industry said Wednesday.

The producer price index rose last month to 127.2, for a year-to-year

increase of 7.2 percent, up from November's 7.1 percent. Manufacturers' costs rose 3A percent in December after a revised 1 percent rise is November. The year-to-year increase last month was 5.5 percent, down from 5.6 percent in November.

Japanese Shares Rebound, Hit Record

TOKYO (Reuters) - Japanese share prices resumed their climb Wednesday after a one-day pause and closed at new highs. The Nikkei Dow Jones average, which lost 37.60 points Thesday, rose 56.30 Wednesday to close at a record 10,072.51, with 500 million shares

changing hands.

Dealers said investors were encouraged by signs of an improvement in the Ispanese economy and many expect the market average to top 11,000

ICL Expects Higher Orders This Year LONDON (Reuters) — The chairman of ICL PLC, Christopher Laidlaw, said Wednesday that orders indicated a substantial improve-

ment this year from 1983's level.

But he warned that the benefits of this improvement are unlikely to flow into revenue and profit until the second half of the fiscal year, ending

Sept. 30.

Mz. Laidlaw said at the company's annual meeting that ICL expects steady progress this year, although more modest than the 92 percent rise in pretax profit last year to £45.6 million (\$63.8 million). Volume rose 17 percent to £856.5 million.

Marcos Removes Central Bank Chief **Amid Key Debt-Rescheduling Talks**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MANILA — President Ferdi-nand E. Marcos on Wednesday named the central bank governor, Jaime Laya, as education minister. The shift removed Mr. Laya from sensitive negotiations with creditors to reschedule the Philippines' \$25 billion in foreign debt, and to raise about \$4 billion in new credit.

Mr. Laya's removal as head of the central bank came as a surprise to most bankers here, since it came hours before a 12-bank advisory committee on the Philippines met in New York.

The panel Wednesday approved the extension of a 90-day moratorium on repayment of Philippine debt principal, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. said as chairman of the panel. It also said that the International Monetary Fund had endorsed the request. The moratorium was to have expired Mon-

Mr. Marcos made the announcement of Mr. Laya's move at a meeting with members of the governing New Society Movement. He did not name a successor.

The change came about a month announcement "because Laya after the central bank acknowl- must have known about the foredged that it had overstated its reserve holdings by about \$600 million. The disclosure was thought to have delayed discussions on the declaration was acknowledged, and debt rescheduling, because it that Mr. Marcos had refused to forced the IMF to review the accept it.

bank's books. Despite that disclosure, the change involving Mr. Lays caught much of Manila's financial community by surprise. One foreign banker closely involved with the debt negotiations expressed shock at the announcement.

"We have a very high regard for Laya, though this was tarnished by the misdeclaration of the bank's foreign reserves," he said.
To a certain extent this new

appointment might be a tace-saving appointment for him. But the very crucial point at this time is who will be his successor," he added, while voicing concern that appointment of a new governor might complicate and delay the

Another foreign banker, however, said he was not surprised by the agreements.

At Talbot Plant

of a bitter dispute over layoffs.

"The foreign bankers rely on Virata," he said, while acknowledg-The management said police would remain, following vioing that the sudden announcement may frighten some of the 350 or more smaller foreign banks that are Philippine creditors.

In addition to the moratorium request granted Wednesday, the Philippines has also been trying to arrange a \$650-million standby credit from the IMF and about \$3.3 billion in new loans from commercial banks and in official bilateral

Work Resumes

PARIS — Peugeot's Talbot car plant in the Paris suburb of Poissy resumed production Wednesday, after a shutdown of more than a month because

A company spokesman said the line making Samba cars, one of four models assembled at the factory, was operating. About half the plant's work force, or about 7,200 plant opcratives and salaried staff members, were recalled Wednesday to begin the gradual return to full production scheduled for

lence inside the factory last week in which 120 people were injured as strikers clashed with employees wanting to work.

The return to work followed a long meeting Tuesday of government, management and union representatives about the terms of 1,905 layoffs. Dissent among unions over the layoffs led to last week's confronta-

itedness to eventually move from

his current job to the chairmanship

of one of Britain's state-owned in-

dustries. There's little likelihood

that Lloyd's new chairman would

Mr. Miller, who is also 53, de-

scribes himself as "a Lloyd's man

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(Continued from Page 7) the new, £120,000-a-year (\$168,000-a-year) job by Sir Peter Green, then the exchange's chair-

Nevertheless, Sir Peter — and now Mr. Miller — have struggled ever since to convince industry experts and Lloyd's members that Lloyd's is glad to have an outsider as chief executive and that the nonsalaried chairmanship has not been

reduced to a figurehead job. "In British political terms, I am the prime minister and he is the head of the civil service," Mr. Miller said in a joint interview with Mr. Davison last week. Put simply, Mr. Miller said, he is responsible for policy and Mr. Davison for car-

rying it out. However, putting things simply is not so easy these days at Lloyd's, a unique market to which insurance brokers come to place insurance with underwriters. Each underwriter is a sort of self-contained insurance company backed by a syndicate or pool of private capital to pay off claims.

Lloyd's is in the midst of sweeping reforms outlined in legislation approved in Parliament in 1982, after a lengthy campaign in which Mr. Miller played a key role.

Lloyd's wanted some of the changes to increase its power to regulate member underwriters. But other reforms, notably the decision that brokers who do business at Lloyd's be forbidden from owning Lloyd's underwriters.

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Fittingly, perhaps, Mr. Miller assumed his new duties just in time for the announcement Tuesday of proposed rules for carrying out Parliament's orders to separate brokers from ownership of an underwriting firm, particularly one with whom they might place insur-

That process is not as intriguing to the public as new disclosure proposals that will lay open the outside interests of Lloyd's brokers and underwriters and their financial records. But the rules governing separation of brokers and underwriters are bound to have an impact on the financial resources available to Lloyd's members and how they do

The stakes involved in making the Lloyd's reforms successful force Mr. Miller and Mr. Davison to take outsiders' impressions of the nature of their relationship seriously. Lloyd's prominence, its profitability and its freedom from government regulation are dependent on its reputation with those seeking insurance. The public impression is also critical in maintaining the confidence of the more than 23,000 "external members" who are the investors that form the underwriter syndicates by pledging the finan-cial backing for policies written by

Miller-Davison team's success in executive. managing reforms will be closely monitored by Britain's Treasury, Acquaintances said Mr. Davison has the right blend of ambition, the Department of Trade and Inpolitical astuteness and public spir-

dustry and the Bank of England. The clearest thrust in Lloyd's reforms is the idea that more disclosure will help to prevent future abuses and conflicts of interest. Skeptics find such assumptions doubtful, but Mr. Davison is viewed as tailor-made to the task of trying to make such an approach

In addition to his accounting ex- more than 100 years and has been a pertise, Mr. Davison has a number of skills and attributes that are said to have been invaluable in his first year on the job as Lloyd's struggled best-known private secondary to sort out its scandals and lay the schools, and from Oxford. groundwork for its reforms.

"It seems to me that he sees things with an eye uncluttered by long association with Lloyd's practices," said Philip Olsen, an insurance industry analyst for the Kitcat & Aitken stock brokerage.

Mr. Davison is also praised for his selection of advisers and his willingness to delegate power. And he is noted for his sensitivity to image - both his own and that of organizations to which he is committed. He is an inveterate joiner of government and industry commissions, and the public-spirited image such work has given him made it

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Las Angeles Times Service LOS ANGELES - The owners of Romanée-Conti, the French producer of what some experts consider to be the finest wines in the world, are expected to enter U.S. District Court in Los Angeles Thursday to seek a preliminary injunction to ban the sale of a \$2.95-a-bottle Cali-

fornia burgundy.
Romanèe-Conti charges that
Hoffman Mountain Ranch, a
Paso Robles, California, winery, is trying to borrow the French producer's 700-year-old reputation by using an "unmis-takable imitation" of the label used on its six burgundies, among the world's highestpriced wines,

Last week, the company won a temporary restraining order against sale of Santa Lucia Cellars burgundy, a Hoffman Mountain Ranch label. The order was granted on the grounds that although the Santa Lucia label is in English and Ro-manee-Conti's labels are in French, there is enough similarity to create the impression that Hoffman Mountain Ranch and Romanée-Conti had entered into an association.

EC Trade Deficit With Soviet Shrinks By Alister Doyle

BRUSSELS - The European Community's trade with the Soviet Union recovered sharply last year, boosted by Moscow's purchases of equipment for its controversial Sibertan gas pipeline to Western Europe, EC officials said Wednesday. Figures are available only for the first half of 1983, but they show the

community's exports to the Soviet

Union rose 40 percent in this period, the officials said. Community sales of gas-pipeline equipment belped to cut the EC's trade deficit with Moscow - derived largely from oil and gas imports - to \$1.8 billion in the six months from \$3.3 billion in the like

period of 1982. The community's machinery exment sales rose 80 percent and high-technology exports grew 60 percent, the officials said.

The U.S. failed in a bid to get Western Europe to boycott sales of high-technology for the pipeline project on the ground of possible future West European overdependence on Soviet energy supplies and as a protest against Poland's imposition of martial law in 1981. As a result, many U.S. companies lost pipeline contracts to West Eurupean and Japanese concerns.

With the completion of the pipe-ine, the community would start paying high gas hills again, boost-ing its Moscow trade deficit, the officials forecast.

The community trade deficit rose between 1978 and 1982 mainly because of the rising cost and quan-tities of oil and gas imports from the Soviet Union, the officials said.

The EC's trade deficit with the Soviet Union stood at \$700 million community imports. In 1978-82 the in 1978 and rose in successive years value of the EC's Soviet imports

to reach \$6.8 billion in 1932. But while the 10 nations' deficit with Moscow Iell in 1983, there was with Moscow Iell in 1983, there was er, more stable 1983 cil prices a sharp rise in the EC's deficit with helped ease the deficit with Mosthe seven other East European states - Poland, East Germany, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Romania and Albania.

Overall, the community's deficit with Eastern Europe, including the Soviet Union, in the first half of 1933 was \$2.5 billion, down from \$3.6 billion in the like half of 1982. Recession, high debts and invest-

ports to the Soviet Union doubled ment cutbacks by most East Bloc in the period. Transport-equip-states made it unlikely the deficit would disappear soon, the officials said. But with Western banks now seemingly more willing to make loans to East European states, long-term prospects were brighter, they added.

The community's \$300-million surplus with the eight states in 1978 had become a \$7.7-billion deficit in 1982, they said. No EC state has had an annual trade surplus with Eastern Europe as a whole since 1981 and only West Germany and France have had one since 1979

Royal Crown Mulls Making Buyout

New York Times Service

ATLANTA - Royal Crown Companies, concerned about the Fuel made up well over half of large holdings of two shareholders, said it is studying making a buyout at about \$35 a share.

more than doubled while exports Royal Crown stock rose \$2,375, grew by only about a third. Howevto \$32.75, Tuesday on the New York Stock Exchange before trading was halted for the announcement. The company has over 8.2 million common shares outstand-Poor harvests have led to Mosing, giving it a value of about \$288 million at \$35 a share. cow to import Western food, thus

reducing scarce currency reserves that could otherwise have been Victor Posner owns 26.9 percent used for long-term investment, the of Royal Crown through his Chesapeake Insurance Co.

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Nakasone Presses for Access Plan

TOKYO -- Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, in an effort to case trade friction with the United States, Wednesday instructed the government and the ruling Liberal-Democratic Party to complete a plan by March giving foreigners greater access to Japan's capital and financial markets, party officials said.

Meanwhile, the Bank of Japan's governor, Haruo Mayekawa, repeated his support for moves to open Japan's capital markets.

Party officials said Mr. Nakasone stressed the need to settle the issue of access to financial and capital markets and to resolve disputes over Japan's purchases of agricultural products and communications satellites from the United States.

The U.S. government has repeatedly asked Japan to buy more U.S. beef and oranges and increase its defense spending in addition to liberalizing financial and capital markets to allow greater access for U.S. investors and to make the yen a more international currency.

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during the first quarter, they said.

Mr. Nakasone said the issue of try has a long history of following liberalizing capital and financial its own practices in its financial markets in particular is likely to be system, and said that those histordiscussed at the summit meeting of ies must be respected. seven major industrialized nations to be held in London in early June

the party officials said. Mr. Mavekawa, in his first regular press conference of 1984, questioned whether the principle of reciprocity is sufficient in deciding how to treat foreign financial insti-

tutions in Japan, and argued again for liberalization of Japan's capital The central banker noted that calls from abroad for reciprocity -treating foreign financial institutions the same as domestic ones were being replaced by calls for mutuality — allowing financial in-

stitutions to do overseas what they can do in their home market. He said Japan may have to review whether the principle of reciprocity is an adequate method for setting limits on foreign concerns' operations in Japan. But Mr. Mayekawa added that each coun-

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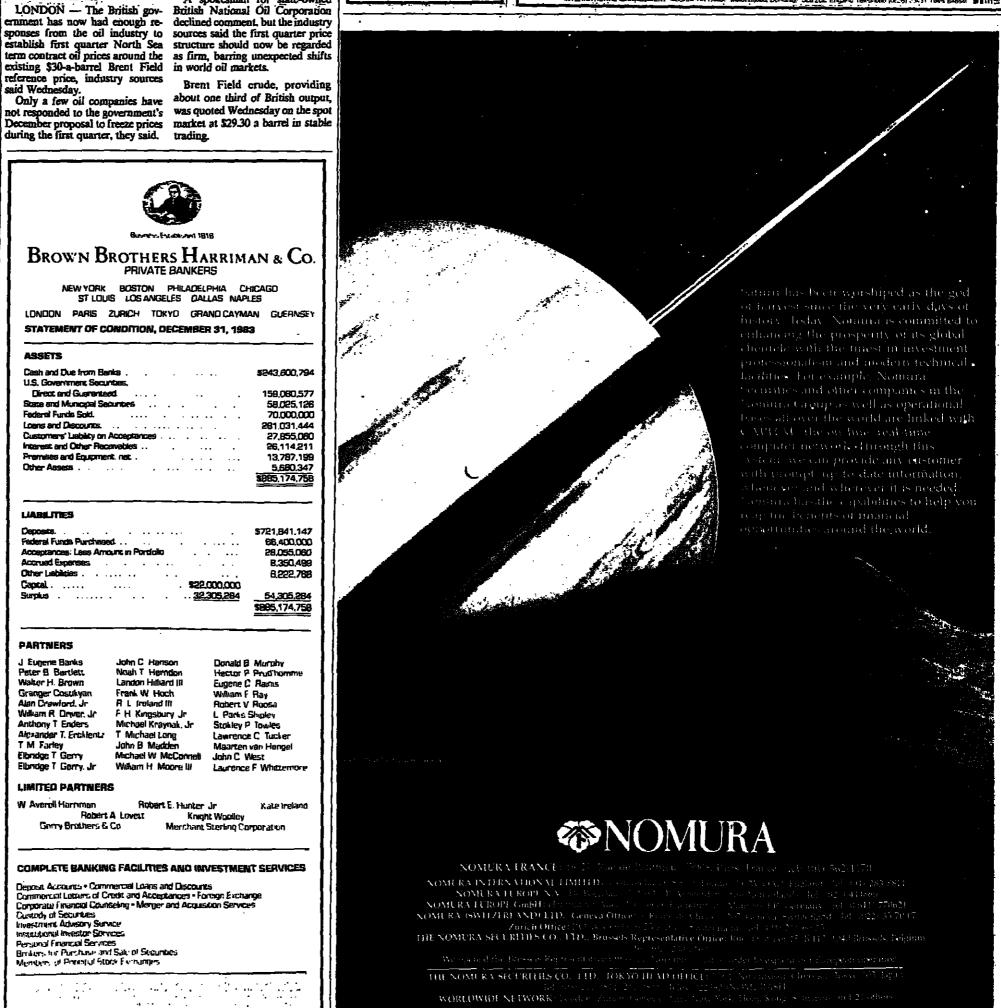
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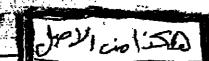
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MIAMI — Flight attendant members of the Transport Workers Union Wednesday became the third employee group at Eastern Air Lines Inc. to agree to forgo part of their wages in 1984 in exchange for stock in the company.

A ballot showed that of the 2,410 of 2,730 flight attendants who voted, 88.3 percent were in favor of the proposal, union officials said. The plan, intended to save the carrier \$367 million this year, had previously been approved by Eastern's non-union employees and by its unionized machinists.

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Flight Attendants Back | Mellon Posts Net Of \$53.6 Million

By Robert A. Bennett

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — Mellon National Corp. said its fourth-quarter net income totaled \$53.6 mil-

lion, or \$2.01 a share. The figure is not comparable with last year's net of \$31.8 million, because it includes the net income of three companies acquired by Mellon

during 1983.

The three acquisitions were Girard Co., which had been the 66th-largest banking concern in the United States, with assets of \$4.8 billion; CCB Bancorp Inc., with assets of about \$500 million, and Mortgage & Trust Inc., a private mortgage banking firm that did not disclose its earnings.

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Mellon declined to disclose how much the equired companies earned in last year's fourth quarter, saying it did not have such figures available. From figures available so far, howev-er, it appeared that the net income of those

er, it appeared that the net income of those companies might have been about \$8.2 million. Mellon's fourth-quarter earnings were also bolstered by other large special factors. These included a \$16.8-million swing in earnings from securities transactions — a \$489,000 gain in the fourth quarter of 1983, compared with a \$16.3-million loss in the comparable period of 1982. Until a change last year in regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, banks had to report two separate earnings figures — net operating income before securities gains and losses. The distinction was made because manipulation of investment portfolios for tax and other purposes could significantly affect a bank's earnings performance.

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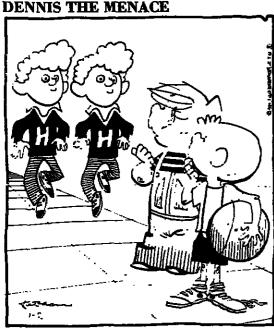
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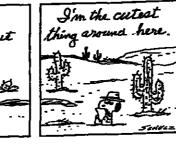
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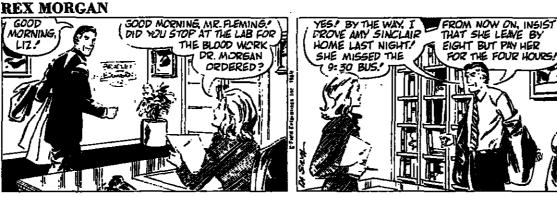


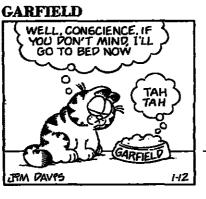






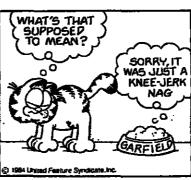






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BERNARD BARUCH: The Adventures of a Wall Street Legend By James Grant. 376 pp. \$19.95. Simon and Schuster. 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10020.

THE FINANCIER: The Life of André Meyer, a Story of Money, Power, and the Reshaping of American Business

By Cary Reich. 396 pp. \$15.95 Morrow, 105 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016.

Reviewed by Bernard A. Weisberger THESE two gossipy books are about two men born almost a generation apart (1870 for Baruch, 1898 for Meyer), and linked somewhat loosely by profession. Baruch made a fortune as a stock speculator. Meyer was a master of investment banking.

Definitions are in order. A speculator, loosely speaking, is not exactly an investor - someone who buys stock in a company and then rides with it through storm and doldrum. A speculator moves in and out of stocks, buying and selling as he anticipates their rise and fall, and making a profit on each transaction. A speculator will tell you that he uses his judgment to stabilize the market, by encouraging other buyers to put capital into promis industries, or leading a wholesome exodus from overvalued issues. Perhaps so, if we assume an unmanipulated market. But the bottom line is that a speculator simply places bets on whether an industry or firm is winning or losing, exactly as if he were at the track.

An investment banker, among other things, buys large blocks of securities in companies often new companies which he has helped to form — and sells them to others, keeping a hearty commission for himself as he spreads the risk. He's betting, too, but mostly with someone else's money.

Once you have grasped this, you will enjoy and profit by what James Grant and Cary Reich have to tell you. Both are financial reporters, who are neither reverential nor hostile towards their subjects. As Grant admits, reams have already been written on Baruch, but the focus is less on his Wall Street adventures than on his self-advertised public service as a World War I industrial mobilizer, economic advisor to presidents, and (late in life) sponsor of the ill-fated Baruch Plan for the international control of the atomic bomb.

By contrast, Reich's book deals with a man who disliked public exposure, and it also explores more recent and relevant financial web-

Baruch and Meyer had a few things in common. Both were of European middle-class background, Baruch a German immigrant doctor's son, and Meyer rising from stock clerk in the Paris Bourse to an important role in French banking before the Nazis wiped it out in 1940 and forced him to start again in the United States. Both were intensely ambitious. Meyer rose every morning at 4:30 and worked relentlessy until 6 or 7 in the evening, when he would go off to dinner, theater, or the opera. Baruch seems to have allowed himself more vacations, but for each man, even "leisure" time was devoted to the pursuit of the information and contacts which were at the heart of their work

Baruch earned his seed millions very early in the 20th century, in the wave of mergers that: consolidated control of the basic industries— steel, oil, rails, chemicals. He added more in the '20s by putting his bets on newcomers like autos and radio. Meantime, he was, in 1918, chairman of the War Industries Board that allocated contracts and priorities and further unified the economy in order to boost industrial output and defeat the Kaiser. Thus, he was a midwife of that modern American state where the government and the major corporations work together in various ways, acknowledged or not, to organize production.

Meyer came into the next, or post-World War II phase of growth. As head of Lazard Freres, he helped finance many of the great new enterprises of the booming 1950s and '60s. Especially conglomerates, A conglomerate is_ an economic anomaly. It does not like oldfashioned mergers, unite companies making the same product or parts of the same product.
Instead it links firms of widely differing specialties — airlines and supermarkets, insurance brokers and smelters, publishers and oil refiners - and thereby, in theory, spreads risk achieves management efficiency, and attracts more expansion capital.

What it does for certain is make money huge sums of money -- for the conglomerators, as it did for Meyer through his ventures with-William Zeckendorf in real estate, or Harold Geneen of ITT, or Giovanni Agnelli of Fiat, or the mining tycoon Charles Englehard, or the begetters of Avis and Holiday Inn, or many others. Meyer prided himself on being a class operator. He hated to be considered a wheelerdealer, and was outraged when the government accused him of helping to circumvent both the antitrust laws and the IRS in a deal that helped ITT acquire Hartford Insurance. But all the same, he too was a speculator, playing for higher stakes than Baruch.

There are two conclusions that stand out One is the extent to which the government, through control of the money supply, its own purchases, the regulatory agencies and the tax code, has a huge impact on business ventures. That is why lawyers, accountants and fixers who can run the maze of the statutes and those who administer them are so well paid for their arcane dealings (and also move in and out of government posts with some frequency). The other lesson is how the really big money is accumulated by shuffling paper, making phone calls and taking one's cut of the deal, rather than by actually operating hotels or car rental companies.

But whether you share these populistic reservations or not, Reich and Grant will take you on a demystifying, colorful voyage down the stream of modern U.S. financial life.

Bernard A. Weisberger is the author of "The American Newspaperman" and "Dream Maker, William C. Durant, Founder of General Mo-tors." He wrote this review for The Washington

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

THE upper crust of the L tournament world consists of a few hundred experts who to win major littles and have international ambitions. Many do nothing but play bridge, and those with other voted a great deal of time to the game at some point.

But there are also a few thousand with equal enthusiasm but less available time. They play once a week, perhaps, at a local club and manage an occasional tournament. If they can mount a challenge in a major championship, they go home happy.

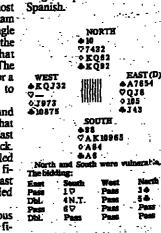
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the double indicated that East thought he had a trump trick. So he ruffed in dummy and led a trump, taking the deep finesse of the ten when East played the eight. The doubled slam was now made.

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NEW YORK - José Higneras seen management of the wave of merger to add the basic industry. of Spain and Johan Kriek won hard-hitting opening-round vic-tories Tuesday night in the Masters tennis tournament. Higueras two games to close out the set. downed José Luis Clerc of Argentina, 6-2, 6-3, after Krick ousted Jimmy Arias, 7-6, 6-4.
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with most of the line calls seeming to go Higneras's way, he broke the Argentine in the second and fourth games to take a 3-1 first-set lead, losing his own service in the third game.

Higueras dominated the rest of the set. Clerc repeatedly questioning line calls in the sixth game - the only

time in the set he held serve -Clerc appeared to serve an ace on serving a love game.

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Each held service until the second set's eighth game, when Clerc lought off two break points before falling to superior groundstrokes. Clerc also double-faulted twice in the game. Higueras then held serve

Krick-Arias featured two hardhitting baseliners, although Kriek, a native of South Africa who is now an American citizen, ventured to the net occasionally.

In running his career record against Arias to 2-0, Krick began the match by breaking his 19-yearold opponent. Arias leveled with a fourth-game break but Kriek broke right back. Serving for the set in the minth game, Kriek found Arias's hard, well placed groundstrokes too lough; Arias broke at 15, and the two then fought their way to a

After Arias took a 2-1 advantage, Krick ripped off the next four points for a 5-2 lead. Five points later, he had the tie breaker in

Krick dropped only three points as he broke Arias to begin the secand set and then held for a 2-0 lead Atias broke back in the eighth game, at 30, but Kriek, forcing the play by coming to the net, broke right back. He won the match by



Hall of Fame Taps Aparicio, Killebrew, Drysdale; Selection Largest in 12 Years

By Joseph Durso New York Times Sensee

NEW YORK - Luis Aparicio, Harmon Killebrew and Don Drys-dale were elected to baseball's Hall of Fame Tuesday night, the largest group of players picked in 12 years. But 26 other retired players on the ballot did not make it, with Hoyt Wilhelm falling only a few votes short, and Nelson Fox, Billy

Williams and Jim Bunning next. The three winners, contemporaries in the major leagues a genera-tion ago, will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York, on Aug. 12. They may be joined by others picked in March by a special veterans' comtotal to 185 elected to the hall in its 44 years.

The results were announced by the Baseball Writers Association of America, which conducts the annuwere to be introduced at a ceremony here Wednesday, but Aparicio winter-league haseball.

To be elected, a player has to be retired at least five years and has to be listed on at least 75 percent of the 403 ballots cast. The writers are allowed to vote for as many as 10 candidates, and a player needed 303 votes to be elected.

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The three winners made it with a star infielder for 19 years, who distinctly different backgrounds. Aparicio was a shortstop, mostly for the Chicago White Sox; Killebrew a home-run hitter for the Washington Senators and Minnesota Twins and Drysdale a power pitcher for the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers.

the ballot. Killebrew, only 12 votes ed. shy last year, finished second with
335 votes in his fourth year on the scored a notable victory for glove shy last year, limished second with list. Drysdale, 39 votes short a year ago, ran third with 316 votes in his loth attempt to qualify.

The last time three players were elected was in 1972, when the winners were Yogi Berra, Sandy Kou-(ax and Early Wynn.

It was, in fact, an election al election. Killebrew and Drysdale had tried and missed by close margins. The 29 players on the ballot included 10 who were listed for the was unable to make the trip from first time. But none of them won Venezuela, where he broadcasts even the five percent of the votes needed to be carried on the ballot again next year.

> The most poignant loser was Wilhelm, who pitched in 1,070 games as a knuckleball specialist. He fell 38 votes short last year, gained ground this time, but was still 13 votes short. Next came Fox,

finished 57 votes away. Then came Williams, who hit 426 home runs. but missed by 101 votes.

The only other player with more than 200 votes was Bunning, the pitcher who became a state senator and who also lost the election for governor of Kentucky last fail. In Aparicio, who fell 29 votes short 17 years in the big leagues, he post-last year, led the list this time with ed 224 victories, including a perfect 341 votes, about 84.5 per cent of game and a no-hitter. But he got the total. It was his sixth year on 201 votes, 102 below the total need-

> men, who have complain hall is the preserve of hitters. He was the first shortstop elected by the writers since Ernie Banks in 1978. Banks had been the first shortstop since Lou Boudreau in

> Aparicio played 10 seasons with the White Sox and a total of eight with the Baltimore Orioles and Boston Red Sox in a career that started in 1956.

He holds the record for most games played by a shortstop (2,581), most assists (8,016), most chances (12,564) and most double plays (1,553).

He also had a batting average of .262, with 2,677 hits, and played in 13 All-Star Games. Killebrew, who expressed dis-

may when he was not elected the last three times, played third and first base for 21 years beginning in 1954. For 20 of those years, he was the slugging star of the Senators

He hit 573 home runs, ranking fifth on baseball's all-time list. Only Babe Ruth hit more in the

American League.

Drysdale began his career with in Brooklyn in 1956 and moved with the Dodgers to Los Angeles two years later. He was the righthander who teamed with lefthander Sandy Koufax to form one of the strongest pitching entries in modern times.

He won 209 games and lost 166. with an earned-run average of 2.95. But his most dazzling record came in 1968, when he pitched six straight shutouts, and did not allow a run for 58 innings.





Harmon Killebrew



Don Drysdale

China Makes a Great Leap Forward in Preparing for Olympics By Christopher S. Wren 1952 to put in a desultory showing.

New York Times Service

PEKING - When China went to its first Olympic Games, in Los Angeles in 1932, its squad consisted of a 100-meter sprinter who was eliminated in the trials, and his coa-

Fifty-two years later, China will return to Los Angeles with an Olympic squad of 200 athletes and s, doctors and other officials. "So after a half-century, the number of people has increased 150 times," Wu Zhongyuan, spokesman for the Chinese Olym-

pic Committee, quipped recently.

The Chinese admit that they donot expect to do well. But their participation in the 1984 Olympics marks the most significant step yet taken toward Peking's announce goal of developing into a major sports power by the end of the

Chinese are going to the Winter the Cultural Revolution, some of Games next month at Sarajevo, these were dragged back down "China is still a long way from the the population, now engage in advanced world levels." some kind of physical training. advanced world levels."

China intends to compete in 15 weight lifting, gymnastics and women's volleyball. It will be the

up late at the Helsinki Olympics in ries.

China was readmitted to the Olympic movement in 1979 and it sent a small team to the 1980 Winter Games at Lake Placid, but it joined the boycott of the subsequent Summer Games in Moscow to protest the Soviet intervention in Afghani-

With its propensity for slogans, China has coined a militant challeage for sports: "Break Out of Asia and Advance on the World." It has already come a long way. China had a weak sports tradition and was debilitated by famine, war and revolution well into the 20th century. After the Communists took over in 1949, they began developing organized sports, but the effort unraveled when radical poli-

1976 Cultural Revolution. "Before the Cultural Revolution, we were doing quite well," recalled China's hopes for a respectable Li Pingta, an official of the Allshowing and maybe even a gold China Sports Federation. "Our medal, are locused on the Summer weight lifting, track and field and Games at Los Angeles. Only 40 swimming were all good. Due to

tics took priority during the 1966-

pine and Nordic skiing, speed and Sports have been revived under figure skating and biathlon. The the pragmatic regime of Deng hockey team is being kept home. Xiaoping, China's current leader The Chinese sports newspaper has The government claims that 300 conceded that in winter sports, million Chinese, nearly a third of

Children are being selected early events at Los Angeles, with selec- for their potential and sent after tive strengths in track and field, classes to thousands of "sparetime" sports schools, a less intense version of the Soviet sports-trainfirst time that the Communist ing machine. And the five profimainland will be represented at an ciency grades for athletes, bor-Olympics by a full confingent of rowed from the Russians in 1956, and dropped 10 years later, have Some Chinese swimmers showed been restored for 37 sports catego-



Li Menghua, the minister in recognized as Olympic events. Wu strong showing. Wu recently told itual civilization, a patriotic concharge of the State Physical Culture and Sports Commission, told a reached world competition levels in only a third of some 40 popular that we will do better in shooting. Angeles. He recalled that high of China's physical culture in this century was to produce athletes with both sportsmanship and outstanding skills who would rank China among the major world sports powers by the year 2000.

has taught rhythmic gymnastics Some of the sports that China and a Brazilian is being brought in does best, such as table tennis, hadto coach the lackluster soccer team. minton and kung fu, are not yet In the race to catch up, China has joined 46 international sports

China used to denigrate the im-

letes are taught that victories are necessary to earn respect for China in the eyes of the world. "We'll require our sportsmen to get the best achievements and win bonor for the motherland, and our

Olympics.
China's best chance for a gold medal at Los Angeles is Zhu Jianbua, the lanky Shanghai student who broke the world record for the high jump twice in 1983. The 20-year-old Zhu cleared 2.38 meters (7

Although Zhu remains the world champion high jumper, it is uncertain how well he will do under the pressure of international competition, since he took only a bronze medal at the world track and field championships in Helsinki last Au-

Another hopeful is Wu Shude, 24-year-old weight lifter in the 56kilo (123.5-pound) class who set a world record by snatching 128 kilos

na is fielding its best men's gymnastic team, which beat the Soviet squad to win the team title at the world gymnastics championships in Budapest last October. The women's volleyball team, which took two world championships in a row, is also a serious contender. Its strongest player, Lang Ping, has been nicknamed The Hammer for her powerful spikes.

But the Olympic committee has played down the likelihood of a specify whether the budget includes services supplied by such airline, CAAC (Civil Aviation Administration of China). By comparison, the U.S. Olym-

Committee budget is \$80.1 mil-

exempted from ideological obligations. A Peking newspaper reported not long ago that the swimming team was studying the writings of Explained Wu: "Every day the swimmers will take a half hour or an hour. That's not the whole day." He said the Olympic athletes

would be educated in Socialist spirwomen's volleyball, diving, some jumper Zhu has undertaken polititrack and field, weight lifting, fenc- cal study. ing and gymnastics and maybe in archery. As for the other events, we That is intended partly to dis-

courage embarrassing defections. still have quite a distance to catch After tennis player Hu Na was given political asylum in the United China expects to spend 3 million States in 1982, China angrily susyuan (about \$1.5 million) on its pended official bilateral sports and participation in the Winter and cultural exchanges for the next Summer Olympics, according to Li year. Guochang, the director of the sec-

Wu insisted that "we are not retariat of the Chinese Olympic afraid," because China held the United States responsible for preventing such incidents as part of He said that would cover training, accommodation and travel ex- the security measures for the Sumpenses for the athletes. He did not mer Games.

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ert Smith, delensive end. PITTSBURGH—Signed Jock De ullback to a one-year confract

ESCORTS & GUIDES

Veteran Laker center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar caught Ralph Sampson crouching and went up for an easy sky-hook basket during Thesday's NBA game in Houston, won by Los Angeles in overtime, 136-132. For the second game in a row, Abdul-Jabbar was pitted against the 7-foot-5 rookie sensation; in Sunday's home-court 129-118 loss, Abdul-Jabbar 51. Mary's (Colf.) 77. Colco 51. Senter 52. Senter 53. Senter 54. E. Mary's (Colf.) 77. Colco 54. Senter 55. Senter 56. Mary's (Colf.) 77. Colco 54. Senter 56. Senter

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The Chinese have not been hesi-

tant about importing foreign exper-tise. A U.S. skier quietly helped coached the ski team. A Bulgarian

mizations, according to Chinese athletes began to dominate regional competition by winning 61 Games in New Delhi. China has ld medals at the 1982 Asian applied to stage the 1990 Asian Games in Peking, and plans to build new sports facilities if it is

portance of winning with the old Maoist motto, "Friendship first, competition second." Now its ath-

players are determined to do so," said Li Pingta, in discussing China's attitude toward the Summer

feet 9% inches) at the national games last September in Shanghai. The Chinese press has treated those games as a dress rehearsal for the

at Shanghai.

With Li Ning and Tong Fei, Chi-

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Catching the Tape Bug

Agency, was taping the telephone to a subordinate on business. It is conversations of everyone from very helpful when you're mounted States senators (Mark Haiout his or her fitness report." field) to movie stars (Kirk Douglas) to his friends (Walter Annenberg), without their knowledge, has left everyone in Washington with an

uncomfortable feeling. It's all right to read another person's mail (we do it all the time). but it is still considered bad man-

ners to turn on a Dictaphone уошг phone rings. After Watergate it's also

considered very. very dumb. What the hell got into Wick?" I asked one of my pals at Buchwald

"He caught the Potomac Tape Bug," the friend explained. "I've seen it happen time and time again. A guy comes to Washington to do a job, and slowly paranoia sets in. He's afraid something he says on the phone may be misinterpreted, so he decides to tape the conversations so he can refer to the transcripts in case someone takes something he said out of context. At the beginning he only pushes the re-cord button when he's talking to the press.

'Îs that fair?'' The government will never object to you recording conversations with the press," my friend said. "Especially when you have to assume the press is recording its conversation with you. But when you start down that secret taping road

Gospel Back in W. Germany The Associated Press

HANNOVER, West Germany -The world's costliest work of art was flown back to West Germany Wednesday and guards sealed the 12th-century Gospel of Henry the Lion in a bank vault. The West German government purchased the book for 30 million Deutsche marks (\$11.8 million) last month at a Sotheby's auction in London. After experts authenticate the book, the gospel is to be displayed at Wolfenbüttel Abbey.

WASHINGTON — The news that Charles Z. Wick, director of the United States Information ically turn it on when you're talking very helpful when you're making

> "So far the official is keeping his secret taping within the bureau-cratic ballpark," I said.

> Now this is where the guy goes off the track. He figures if he can tape his subordinates without their knowledge, there is no reason why he can't tape his equals in other departments of the government without telling them. Pretty soon he has a stack of taped conversations with White House staff, Cabinet members, senators and leading citizens in the country."
> "They could have historical val-

That's what the official talks himself into believing every time he turns the machine on. No longer is he taping to refresh his memory, but he decides he's doing it for future generations of Americans who want to know how he arrived at so many momentous decisions." "I can understand a person

wanting to secretly tape his official calls. But why would he record his conversations with friends?" Because by now he has become a compulsive taper. He has to tape whether he wants to or not. If the Dictaphone stops whirring he can't

"Couldn't he tell his friends that he was recording the telephone

"If he did he wouldn't have friends for very long. How would you like to tell Walter Annenberg he was being taped?" "I wouldn't have the h

"The worst thing about having the Potomac Tape Bug is that even if you stop, no one will believe you. Once the secret is out that you have been taping people's conversations without their knowledge, no one will call you again. It will be pretty hard for someone like Wick to run the world's largest propaganda machine when everyone in and out of the country will now put him on

"Didn't anyone ever tell him about Nixon? "We tried to, but all he said was, 'Let Poland be Poland.'

Sultan of Brunei Building 1,788-Room Palace

By Robert Trumbull

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, Brunei — Sultan Muda Has-sanal Bolkiah of Brunei rules one of the world's smallest independent countries, but his new 1,788room palace on a partly manmade hill overlooking the capital of Brunei is believed to be the largest royal residence in the

A source with intimate knowledge of the project put the cost at the equivalent of about \$300 million. Other palaces may be taller or more ornate than the Brunei structure, which reflects chaste Islamic taste in architecture, but none eclipses the 37year-old sultan's new home for sheer size. The four interconnected three-story buildings occupy about 50 acres (20 hectares).

The buildings, topped by two domes encased in gold leaf, are the centerpiece of a landscaped garden that covers 300 acres.

This magnificence - with four thrones in case a foreign king and queen come calling — will be the seat of power in a land of only 2,226 square miles (5,766 square kilometers). The 500-year-old sultanate was carved out of virgin rain forest on the northwestern coast of the island of Borneo, the rest of which is divided between Malaysia and Indonesia.

The two larger countries showed interest in absorbing Bru-nei and its great oil wealth in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

Sultan Omar Ali Saifuddin, father of the present ruler, declined an invitation to join a Malaysian federation. At his request, Britain sent Gurkha troops under a defense treaty with London to put down an a rebellion backed by



Indonesia. Brunei is on friendly terms with its larger neighbors

now, officials say.
On Feb. 23 the new palace will be the scene of a delayed celebration of Bruner's assumption of full sovereignty on New Year's Day, when the sultan formally broke his state's last political links with Britain, a move that upgraded him from His Highness to His Majesty. It is expected that Prince Charles of Britain will attend the event next month, along with the kings of Nepal and Tonga and diplomats and other notables from around the world.

The polo-playing sultan, who has supreme authority under the state's constitution, controls revenues from oil and gas amounting to \$4 billion a year, and invest-ments abroad of about \$14 bilhion, equivalent to about two-thirds of the foreign reserves of the United States. With such resources, a \$300-million palace puts no strain on the state budget.

That budget also provides his 210,000 subjects with free education, medical care and pensions, among other benefits. With a severe labor shortage, any unemployment is by choice, officials

The imminent opening of the new palace seems to call for some revisions in the Guinness Book of Records, which lists the Vatican as the "largest residential palace." The papal residence has 1,400 rooms, compared with almost 1.800 in the sultan's new home. The Vatican covers 13 acres, 3 acres less than the Brunei palace's floor space alone.

A walking tour around the palace with Alexander P. Castro of the Ayala Corp., the Philippine contractor for the project, afforded stumning glimpses of the blend of traditional and modern designs achieved by the Filipino architect Leandro Locsin, whose other buildings include some of the most distinguished new structures in Manila.

Moorish arches, among other features, reflect the state's Islamic character. Peaked roofs simulate the longhouses in which the indigenous tribal people live, while long, smooth planes in white concrete recall Loscin's modern designs for the new Philippine Cul-

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Sultan Muda Hassanal Bolkieh and model of his palace, which includes a gold-leaf dome and peaked roof inspired by jungle longhouses.

tural Center on Manila's mposing Roxas Boulevard.

The smaller of the two golden

domes caps the sultan's private miniature mosque. On the roof close by is a heliport where the ruler can land one of the craft that he likes to pilot. There is an underground parking area for 800 automobiles, including 100 spaces, reserved for the sultan, who owns, among other vehicles, about 40 sports cars.

At the northern end of the quadrangular group of interconnected buildings is the sultan's personal recreation center, with a swimming pool, courts for tennis, squash and badminton, and a practice field for polo. The estate is enclosed by a high fence of ornamental ironwork like the one that surrounds Buckingham Palace in London. That residence, incidentally, has 614 rooms; there are 900 alloted as private quarters for the sultan and his extended family of about 20 people, including his three brothers and their families, and their father, who ab-

dicated in 1967.

in high technology, Castro said. Computerized electronic surveillance gear will function throughout the complex, ready to trigger instant countermeasures for any flaw that may develop in the elaborate mechanization involved, such as the air conditioning.

As for the abundance of rooms, Castro said, "This palace has been built for future generations of grandchildren."

At least some of the apparent extravagance in the structure, such as the gold leaf on the domes, is really an economy, according to Castro. Gold leaf, he said, is cheaper in the long run than gold paint, which would have to be renewed frequently because of the corrosive effects of. Brunei's humid climate.

The connection between the sultan and the Ayala Corp., one of the biggest companies in the Philippines, is the result of a long friendship between the compa ny's longtime head, Enrique Zobel, and the sultan, who met on the polo field when the industrialist brought a Philippine team to Brunei is thoroughly up-to-date Brunei to play a team led by the

sultan. The ruler mentioned his plan for a new palace to Zobel on Sept. 19, 1980, Castro said, and the contract was approved three

Zobel went right to work, even-tually hiring 30 subcontractors and 20 consultants for various phases of a job that soon had 5,000 workers on the site. "We stopped counting the different nationalities involved when we passed 15," Castro said.

A Japanese group did the landscaping. Dale Keller, an Ameri-can formerly based in Tokyo and now working out of Greece, was the interior designer. The crystal chandeliers were ordered from Vienna and the carpets and fine hardwoods from the Philippines. which also supplied most of the workers. A crew of 14 artisans from Yugoslavia is laying the last of the marble tiles, made in Italy. The furniture was purchased in New York and Chicago. Bechtel Corp. of the United States was engaged to construct the 3.5 miles (5.6 kilometers) of paved road on

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Royko Quits Sun-Times Joins Chicago Tribune

Mike Royko, the Pulitzer Prine-winning columnist, left the Chicago Sun-Times on Tuesday and signed a three-year contract with the Chi-cago Tribune, saying he was aban-doning the tabload because it had been bought by Rupert Missock. Royko, 51, won a Pulitzer for commentary in 1972 and is the author of "Boss," a biography of the late Mayor Richard J. Daley, and four other books. Royko characterized Murdoch's newspapers - which include the New York Post and The Times of London as well as the Boston Herald and a weekly U.S. tabloid, the Star — as Royko has four years left on his contract with the Sun-Times, but said his lawyers advised him that he is not bound by it. The new publisher of the Sun-Times, Robert E. Page, said Royko is wrong - and he threatened to sue for breach of contract. Murdoch took over the Sun-Times this week for \$100 mil-

King Hassen II of Morocco has a new house in the United States. Court documents revealed that Hassan has purchased a 2.65-acre estate with a 23-room house and four-car garage in Bronxville, New York but it's not known whether the king will live there or use the house for Morocco's diplomatic mission based in New York City. The purchase price was not disclosed but the estate has an estimated market value of \$950,000.

Nguyen Cao Ky, the fiamboyani fighter pilot who was premier of South Vietnam during the war in Southeast Asia, has filed for bankruptcy in U.S. federal court. Ky, who settled in Orange County in Southern California seven years ago and opened a liquor store, said in papers filed in Santa Ana. Califorma that he is \$615,000 in debt. The bankruptcy petition says Ky owes \$20,000 to Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

Jacqueline Onssis, widow of U.S. President John F. Kennedy, is traveling in India with her son, John F. Kennedy Jr., according to friends. Her son, a history graduate from Brown University in Rhode Island, has been in India since September on a study tour devotes mainly to Indian culture and histo-

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